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Woodruff, Wilford, 1807-1898

Journals and papers, 1828-1898

Collection contains journals, correspondence, and other papers. Includes information about Joseph Smith; development of the Church in Kirtland, Ohio; Missouri; and Nauvoo, Illinois; temple work; Kirtland, Nauvoo, Salt Lake, St. George, Logan, and Manti Temples; missionary work; Zion's Camp; the Mormon Battalion and Mormon involvement in California; overland travel and English immigration; interactions with Indians; colonization of Utah and surrounding states; Utah and national politics; Utah statehood attempts; the Reformation; Utah War; Mountain Meadows Massacre; social, agricultural, and civic matters in Utah; Mormon historiography; plural marriage and the Underground; and Woodruff's personal financial and family affairs.

Early journals focus on Woodruff's missionary travels in Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Kentucky (with Warren Parrish and David W. Patten), New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, and England; events in Kirtland, Nauvoo, and Winter Quarters; and westward movement. Subsequent journals focus on events in Utah, and Woodruff's activities in the Council of the Twelve and as Church president; and include information about cooperative movements, united orders, the School of the Prophets, Church businesses, and Church colonies in Canada and Mexico. Of note are Woodruff's journal accounts of sermons given by Joseph Smith, Brigham Young, and other Church leaders. Woodruff's death and funeral services were recorded by his secretary, L. John Nuttall.

Correspondence includes letters received during Woodruff's presidencies of the British Mission (1845-1847) and the

Eastern States Mission (1848-1850), and as assistant Church historian beginning in 1856. Among those with whom Woodruff corresponded were Brigham Young, John Taylor, George A. Smith, Parley P. Pratt, Orson Pratt, Orson Hyde, Erastus Snow, Amasa M. Lyman, Franklin D. Richards, Ezra T. Benson, George Q. Cannon, Jedediah M. Grant, Thomas L. Kane, John M. Bernhisel, Almon W. Babbitt, W. W. Phelps, Hiram Kimball, Samuel Brannan, Alexander Badlam, Orson Spencer, Dan Jones, Reuben Hedlock, Elisha H. Davis, J. W. Cummings, Eli B. Kelsey, Willard Snow, William I. Appleby, James A. Stratton, Nathaniel H. Felt, Elijah Fordham, Milo Andrus, Horace S. Eldredge, Leonard W. Hardy, Abraham O. Smoot, Philo Dibble, William Clayton, David Candland, James Ferguson, Hiram B. Clawson, Joseph Russell, John Benbow, James M. Monroe, George P. Dykes, Edward Partridge Jr., Lucius N. Scovil, Phillip M. Westwood, Chandler Holbrook, and Alden M. Jackson.

Letters of note are from John Whitmer in Kirtland, Ohio; two letters from Thomas B. Marsh in Far West, Missouri, one of which is notice of Woodruff's call as an apostle; and letter from Orson Hyde in Kanesville, Iowa, about Oliver Cowdery.

Wilford Woodruff was born 1 March 1807 in Farmington, Connecticut, to Aphek and Beulah Thompson Woodruff. He was baptized on 31 December 1833, married Phebe (Phoebe) W. Carter in 1837, and became a member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles in 1839. He traveled widely in America and Great Britain as a missionary; served in political, civic and business positions in Utah; and was intimately involved in historical endeavors, serving as both assistant Church historian and Church historian. He succeeded John Taylor as Church president in 1887. Woodruff died in San Francisco, California, 2 September 1898.

[illegible] Journal 1833-37.

see July 23d 1835
Stenography

Henry A. Woodruff Son of Azmon and
Harriet Woodruff Born
Married Emma Manella Woodruff

She was born July 4th 1860 at S L City

Names	Births	Marriages	Deaths	Age
Wilford Azmon	Jan 29 1880			
Henry Eugene	April 16 1882 at 10.5 P.M.			
Asahel R	Sept 15 1884			
Emma Estella	Jan 31 1887			
Ethel winefred	Jan 20 1889			
Elsworth	Dec 20 1891			

Willford Woodruffs
Journal

Containing an Account
Of my life and travels
from the time of my
first connextion with the
Church of the latter-day
Saints

The first Book of Willford

When in the course of human events has there ever been a more important period than at the present day and age of the world. It is at once beneficial and instructive to the reflecting mind to review the past with candour and rightly consider the present and be in perfect readiness for that which is to to come. Where is the Son or daughter of Adam who hath a standing in this day and generation that is walking in the light and truth as it is in Jesus Christ that can survey this gentile nation with insensibility or realize their situation without feelings of the deepest emotion. Who of us that hath been upheld and supported from our infantile momen to manhood and carried through many dangers seen and unseen both temporal and spiritual and been received into the new and everlasting Covenant which God hath made in these last days

With his children. that will hesitate to stand as a bold witness for the gospel of Jesus Christ and follow him through evil as well as good report and surrender himself a living sacrifice holy and acceptable unto God which is his reasonable service.

Believing it to be benificial to review our past life And not only our priviledge but duty to keep an accurate account of our proceedings And it is to this intent that I shall endeavour henceforth to keep a journal of my travels that when required of may give an account of my stewardship

March 1st 1891

My parents both father and mother were born and bred in the town of Farmington Connecticut. My father Aphek Woodruff was the Son of Eldad Woodruff. My mother Bulah Thompson was the daughter of Lot Thompson all of the town of Farmington Ct.

I was born in the north part of the town of Farmington which is now called Avon March 1th 1807 . From the age of 14. to 23 my mind was often exercised upon the subject of my souls salvation yet without submission to God or being led by his spirit untill the age of 23. Then at that age I realized by the grace of God assisting me to be led by the spirit and word of God into that truth which maketh free the re.by I had no desire to join any of the sectarian Churches for I learned by comparing the Churches with the records of divine truth that they

December 29th 1833

were neither contending nor receiving the faith once delivered to the Sain & I could not discover the Church or body of Christ visible among men I believed the Church of Christ was in the wilderness and that there had been a falling away from the pure and undefiled religion before God And I was a looking for the Church to arise and again to be established upon the foundation of the ancient Apostles and Prophets Christ Jesus the Chief corner stone After remaining in this state of mind for nearly the term of four years I herd a report circulated on the 29th day of Dec 1833 that there was to be a meeting held in the neighbourhood by a Mormon priest this meeting was to be held in the town of Richland Oswego County New York I had moved two years previous to this from Connecticut to this place. with my elder Brother Azmon Woodruff

December 1833

We had purchased a farm together and been living on it nearly two years. We both were anxious to attend the meeting Accordingly we went and found a full congregation of people The person that was to preach was Zerah Pulsipher an elder in the Church of Christ or of the latter-day saints He commenced the meeting with some introductory remarks and then prayed I felt the spirit of God to bear witness that he was the servant of God. He then commenced preaching and that to us with authority and when he had finished his discourse I truly felt that it was the first gospel sermon that I had ever heard I thought it was what I had long been looking for I could not feel it my duty to leave the house without bearing witness to the truth before the people I opened my eyes to see my ears to hear my heart to understand & my doors to entertain him who had administered unto us Brother Pulsipher

December 31st 1833

Continued labouring with us for several days and on the 31th of Dec I with my Brother Azmon Woodruff with two young females which had been healed by the laying on of hands went forward in baptism. the day following there was several others followed our example among the rest was Noah Holton a preacher in the freewill Baptist Church and several of the members of his Church followed him in the ordinance of baptism. And on the 2th of Jan.y 1834. Brother Pulsipher established a branch of the Church of Christ in Richland Oswego Co. N. Y. containing twelve members. He ordained Brother Azmon Woodruff & Brother Noah Holton Elders and myself a teacher in the Church of Christ I truly felt that I could exclaim with the servant of God that it was better to be a door keeper in the house of God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness I felt much of the spirit of God bearing witness

Jan 2nd 1834
To the Book of Mormon I believed it was light out of darkness and truth out of the ground The license which I received reads thus.

A power and authority given to Willford Woodruff proving that he is a Teacher in the Church of Christ by the will of God the Father according to his holy calling and the gift the power of the Holy Ghost agreeable to the revelations of Jesus Christ signifying that he has been baptized and received into the Church according to the articles and covenants of the same and ordained under the hand of Zerah Pulsipher
Given at Richland Janry 2th AD 183
Zerah Pulsipher

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I continued with my Brethren in Richland through the months of Janry February and March labouring with the Church we had considerable opposition yet inasmuch as we were humble the Lord ever delivered us

April 1st 1834

I went with Brother Hatton to meet Brother Pulsipher and several other brethren and sisters at Brother Newcoms house in Fabius we had an interesting meeting the spirit of the Lord was with us we returned home rejoicing we soon was visited by Brother Harry Brown elder and Brother James Blakesly priest they held two meetings with us & we were much edefied & they went on there way rejoicing We were visited no more by the Brethren untill about the first of April at which time Brother Harry Brown returned accompanied by Brother Parley Pratt we had a precious interview Brother Parley preached with us untill about midnight he was on an important mission he with Brother Lyman Wight was under a command of the Lord to gather together some of the servants of the Lord to go up to Zion it was the Lords will that they should gather together five hundred but not to return

April 11th 1834

Less than one hundred it was the will of the Lord that the young men & middle aged what could be spared should go up to Zion I told Brother Parley our circumstances he told me it was my duty to try to prepare myself and go up to Zion. And accordingly I used every exertion to settle my accounts arrange my affairs and prepare myself to join my Brethren to go to Missourie and on the 10th of April Brother Harry Brown & Brother Warren Ingles called at our house to accompany me on my journey to the west they remained with me and my Brother untill the day following then on the 11th day of April. 1834. after prepareing my horses and waggon I took the parting hand with my Brother Azmon and his family And also with the Brethren and Sisters in the Church and commenced our

April 1834

Journey for Kirtland which place
was appointed to meet at by the first
day of May 1834 that all those who were going
up to Zion might go together according to the word of the Lord We called
on the Brethren at Lyons and spent
the sabbath with them And the next
sabbath we spent with the brethren at
Geneseo then we continued our
journey we called on Brother
McWithy and spent the night with
him we also called on Brother Lewis
where found Brother John Murdock
& Orson Pratt we spent the sabbath with
them and heard them both preach and
on monday continued our journey for Kirtland accompanied by
Brother John & Orson. Brother Ingols
and myself called on Brother Strong
at Thompson and spent the night
with him I was much edified
with his conversation I had a view
of the draft of the City of Zion which
he held in his possession we continued

April 25th 1834
I travel towards Kirtland and arived
there at night on the 25th of Apreil 1834
there for the first time I had a view
of our beloved Brother Joseph Smith
the Prophet & Seer which God hath
raised up in these last days through
whom the Saints receive Revelations
from time to time. Brother Joseph invited
I here first time became acquainted with W. T. Sq
us to take up our abode with him &
Milton Holmes who traveld with us in the camp
accordingly we did and boarded at his
to Mo.
house most of the time for a week here I
26 I was introduced to Elder Brigham Young &
became not only acquainted with him
Heber C Kimball Br Young gave me a Butcher Knife
and his family but with many of the
brethren both high priests, Elders, and
private members those which were making
it their home at Kirtland and also those
which were gathering for the purpose of going
up to Zion on the 27th of Apreil being
the Lords day I attended meeting and heard
several of the Brethren preach Brother
Sidney Rigdon. Orson & Hide. Orson
Joseph Smith Closing
Pratt and others spake during the meeting
it appeared to me there was more
light mad manifest at that meeting

May 1st 1834

respecting the Gospel and Kingdom of God than I had ever received from the whole Sectarian world. According to appointment on the first day of May 1834. we left Kirtland for Missouri there was not but a small part of the Company left Kirtland untill the Monday following on account of their not being in readiness being five days later. There was four baggage waggons and rising of 20 men in the company which left Kirtland the first of May. We traveled to New Portage and there remained with the Church untill the remainder of the company joined us from Kirtland which was on the 6th of May then we were organized in regular order and took up our march on the 8th day of May Our march was similar to the ancient Israelites Our horses, waggons and tents were in readiness and we were led by Joseph. Our Company now consisted of twenty baggage waggons and rising of one hundred & fifty men The men were armed with dirks pistols swords & rifles

May 8th 1834

For self defence and according to Brother Joseph's request I delivered him my sword for his own use, our lives were threatened in consequence of advocating and maintaining the gospel of Jesus Christ for this cause it becam necessary to be in readiness to defend ou lives our persons and property As I before said we commenced our march or journey on the 8th day of May from New portage the weather very pleasant and delightful we continued to travel through the day and dwell in our tents at night I witnessed many interesting things while on this journey we made it a practice of pitching our tents on Saturday night and not remove them untill Monday morning we had preaching on the Lords day Broth Joseph often addressed us in the nam of the Lord while on our journey and often while addressing the camp he was clothed upon with much of the spirit of God his precepts were very instructive and interesting. While on our travels

May 1834

we visited many of the mounds which
were flung up by the ancient inhabitants
of this continent probably by the nephites &
Lamanites we visited one of those Mounds*
+considerd to be 300 feet above the level of the Illinois
and several of the brethren dug into it and
river three persons dug into the mound + found
took from it the bones of a man Brother
a body Elder Milton Holmes took the arrow out of the
Joseph had a vission respecting the person
back bones that killed Zelph + brought it with some
he said he was a white Lamanite the
of the bones into the camp, I visited the same
curs was taken from him or at lest
mound with Jesse J Smith who the other persons were
in part he was killed in battle with an
that dug into the mound + found the body I am
arrow the arrow was found among his
undecided
ribs, one of his thigh bones was broken
this was done by a stone flung from
a sling in battle years before his death
his name was Zelph Some of his bones
were brought into the camp and the thigh
bone which was broken was put into my
waggon and I carried it to Missouri
Zelph was a large thick set man
and a man of God he was a warrior
+Onandagus
under the great prophet+ that was known
+or east sea
from the hill Camorah+ to the Rocky mo
untains. The above knowledge Joseph
receined in a vision &c

May 1834

It excited the curiosity of people muc to see such a company of people traveling through the country in perfect order people came forth out of there houses to behold the scene and thousands of questions were asked concerning our movements We had several rivers to ferry and when we arived at Salt River we pitched our tents to remain stationary for several days and on the day following our arival at Salt River we were joined by Brother Lyman Wight and the company of Brethren which he had gathered together at Misigan or in that regio of country it was a joyful meeting This added to our company so that it now consisted of 25 baggage waggon and about two hundred men we remained at Salt River about one week we were reorganized and Brother Lyman Wight was now appointed as a leader of the army And now again after all things were put in readiness we

May 1834

Again took up our march towards Zion we continued to travel untill we had arived within a few miles of Liberty Clay County Missouri here we pitched our tents and remained quite a number of days on account of the great excitement which prevailed in consequence of false reports which were abroad in the land respecting us The majority of the people or public opinion were against us and even their were about seventy men mounted on horseback with firearms gathered together for the intention of comeing against our camp but the God of Israel frustrated their design for while they were comeing against us the Lord raind upon them rain and great hail so that it was expedient for them to seek shelter from the storm and after the storm they dispersed and would not go against the camp. After remaining stationary for several days the leading men of Clay County and some principle

Men of other Churches called at our camp to enquire into our motives and after a fair investigation of the subject they manifested to us that they were satisfied that we had no evil designs or intentions in our movements or procedings We remained in this situation visited daily by both friend and foes untill the High priests held a council and there was a Revelation given concerning us By this time the excitement had in a great measure ceased and the Lord had granted us favour in the eyes of the people We now again prepared ourselves to move forward we traveled till with-in about two miles of Liberty then we again pitched our tents near by the house of Brother Burgetts here we remained for several days. and while here I witnessed a solemn scene previo to this time while on our journey there were disobedience and murmurings in the camp And Brother Joseph prophe

sied

May 1834

That in consequence of these things there was a scourge awaited the camp And as it was prophesied of so it was fulfilled for soon after we had camped by Brother Burgetts we were visited by the destroying angel and 9. or 10. of our brethren were immediatly lade helpless beneath the stroke I assisted in taking care of them through the day and the night following and through the night and in the morning there continued to be new attacks And in the morning Joseph remarked that it was the duty of the camp to breake up and disperse and take up their abode around among the brethren lest the scourge should be more severe A reserve was made however for a sufficient number to tarry to take care of the sick. Accordingly the camp dispersed And Brother Seth Hitchcock was one of the number attacked with sickness and he belonging to our tent it required another of our tent to take care of him

And it was inconvenient for me to
stay to take care of him in consequ
ence of having a team to see to And
by request of Brother Hitchcock
Brother Seth Ingals remained to
take care of him I left the camp grou
nd and traveled about 7 miles to Brother
Lawrences house and remained with him
in company with Elder Holmes who
for several days I soon began to
spent the summer with me at Elder Ly Wights
learn of the deaths of my Brethren which
I left sick they all died which were
first taken and numbers which were
afterwards attacked there were about 20.
in the whole which died at or about that
time Brother Seth Hitchcock and Warren ~~Seth~~ Ingals
were among the number Brother Ingals
had been in company with me from
the time I left my brother. Alzmon
at Richland C. Mo After remaini
ng several days at brother Lawrences
Brother Lyman Wight gave me an
invitation to spend the season with him
accordingly I made it my home at
his house and ingaged to labour with

July 1st 1834

with him through the season as he
had taken a job to make one hundred
thousand of brick and to build a dw-
elling house out of the same for Mr
Michael Arthur, which made
labour for many of the brethren
I commenced labouring at Bretton
Wights about the first of July I
found many great and glorious privil
eges here as it was the place appointed
for the meeting of the high councils
also the Elders council and courts to tra
nsact all their business this high coun
cil of high priests was established accor
ding to the will of God by his
On the 3d
Servent Joseph ~~about the first~~ of July
organized the High Council
1834. before his return to the east And
it is a great benefit to the inquiring
mind to be privileged of attending these
counsels as it is the privilege of the coun
cil to recieve the word of the Lord con
cerning all subjects that are brought
before them to be decided or investigated
that immediately concern the church

On points of the gospel And in fine those Councils which God hath appointe in these last days are in the first degree the most instructive and interesting to the honest enquirer after truth light and intelligence that this generation of the human family hath access to.

I continued to labour with a number of my Brethren at Brother Wights through the summer and fall. We had preaching occasionally through the summer from persons who were appointed by the Council to teach And seperate from these meetings the branch of the Church by Brother Lyman Wights met together at his house on the Sabbath for the purpose of breaking bread and exhorting one another It was a practice for any who was to be ordained to the ministry to have the voice of the branch of the Church in which they were living before they were recommended to the high Council for ordination. It was at one of these meetings that

I wrote 12 Letters while holding the Office of A Teacher

November 5th 1834

Brother Lyman Wight called a vote to recommend Brother Stephen Winchester. Heman T. Hide and myself to the high council for ordination it was a full vote and at the next meeting of the high council we were recommended by Lyman Wight Amasa Lyman Elias Higby and Zebedee Coltrin all high Priests to the council and there was a vote taken and carried by the high council to ordain us priests And Brother Simeon Carter was appointed to ordain us and we were ordained on the 5th day of November 1834.

On the 3d day of July I attended the Meeting at Lyman Wights at which time Joseph Smith the Prophet Organized the High Council Joseph was Clothed with the power of God He Chastised David Whitmore & others for unfaithfulness said their hearts was not set upon the building up the things of God as they should be, after He was Chastised He was set apart under the hands of Joseph to Preside over the Land of Zion And Wm W Phelps & John Whitmer Assistant Presidents or Councillors

The license which I received from the appointment of the Council reads thus

To whome these presents may come

This certifies that Willford Woodruff has been received into this Church of latter day Saints organized on the 6th day of Aprail 1830. and has been ordained a priest according to the rules and regulations of said church and is duly authorized to preach the gospel and act in all the ordinances of the house of the Lord agreeable to the authority of that office.

Given by the directions of a council of elders assembled in Clay County Missouri Nov 5th 1834

John Whitmer

The principal towns villages and distance
from Richland. N Y. to Kirtland Ohio
and to Liberty Clay Co Missouri
which road I traveled in 1834 comme
nsing the 11th day of Aprail

From Richland= to Oswego 20 miles
= Oswego to Rochester 70= Rochester= Leroy
25= Leroy= Batavia 10= Batavia to Buffalo 39
from Buff-alo to Catar-agua 30= Cataragua
= Freedona 15= Freedona to Westfield
= 15= Westfield= to State line 11= State line
= Erie 17= Erie= Elkcreek 15= Elkcreek
= Coneaut 17= Conaut= Ashtrabula 14
= Ashtrabula = Unionville 15=
= Unionville= Pansville 15
= Pansville= Kirtland = 9 Ohio

From Kirtland= to Streetsborough 26
= Streetsborough= Newportage 23—
= Newportage= Woster 30
= Woster = Mansfield— 33
= Mansfield= Gallion — 16
= Gallion= Bucyrus— 12
= Bucyrus= Little Sandusky—15
= Littlesandusky= Bellfontain— 41

= From Bellfontain to Urbanna = 18
= Urbanna = Springfield — 14
= Springfield = Dayton — 25
= Dayton = Eaton — 25
= Eaton = Richmond — 16
= Richmond = Centerville — 6
= Centerville = Dublin — 12
= Dublin = Raysville — 18
= Raysville = Greensville — 14
= Greensville = Indianapolis — 18
= Indianapolis = Greencastle — 40
= Greencastle = Clinton — 38
= Clinton = Paris — 17
= Paris = Springfield — 116
= Springfield = Jackson ville 35
= Jacksonville = Illinois River — 22
= Illinois River = Atlas — 26
= Atlas — = Louisiana — 7
= Louisiana = Salt River — 49
= Salt River = Liberty — 140

= Total from Richland to Rutland 336 =
= From Rutland to Liberty — 902
The sum total is — 1238. mil

December 31st 1834

Believing it to be the duty of the Latter-day
Saints to consecrate and dedicate all
their properties with themselves unto
God in order to become lawful heirs
to the Celestial Kingdom of God It
was under such a view of the subject
that I consecrated before the Bishop
of the Church of the latter-day Saints
in Clay County Dec 31st 1834 the
following is a coppy of the consecration

Clay Co. Missouri Dec 31st 1834
Be it known that I Willford Woodruff
freely covenant with my God that
I freely consecrate and dedicate myself
to gether with all my properties and effects
unto the Lord for the purpose of assisting
in building up his kingdom even Zion
on the earth that I may keep his law and
lay all things before the bishop of his Church
that I may be a lawful heir to the
Kingdom of God even the Celestial
Kingdom

The following is an inventory of my
Property

	$ cts
One Due Bill payable in one year	20=00
One trunk and its contents principly Books	18 00
Hat Boots and clothing —	23 00
One valise —	2 50
One english watch — —	8.00
One rifle and equipments	9.00
One sword —	5 00
One pistol — —	1 50
Also Sundry articles —	3 00
And notes which are doubtful and uncertain —	150 00
Total $	240 00

Jan 13th 1835

I have now arranged my business
and am prepared to go forth into the
world to preach the gospel of Jesus
Christ and on this 13th day of Jan
I recieved a recommend which
reads as follows:

Liberty Clay Co. Mo. January the 13 1835.
This Certifies that Willford Woodruff
has faithfully Discharged every
duty required of him in the Camp
of the Saints in Journeying from
Kirtland to this place has been
very faithful in the discharge
of his duty Since his Arrival
here Both Spiritual and Temporal
is Strong in the faith of the latter
Day Saints and worthy of his
Calling he is Recommended
by the Church in this place
to any Branch where providence
may call him

Lyman Wight

Jan. 13th 1835

X On the 13th of Jan 1835
I left Brother Lyman Wights
in company with my Beloved
Brother Henry Brown to go forth
to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ
without purse or scrip to the people
in the South May God grant us
wisdom and make us meet for
our Masters use and assist us to
rightly divide the word of truth and
render to every man their portion
of meet in due season that our
garments may be clear of the Blood
of this generation

This is my first
mission or the first commencement
of my travels to preach the gospel
Jan 13th I left Brother Lyman
X Wights 7 miles east of Liberty
and crossed Reeys ferry into
Jackson county being the first
time my feet had ever stood upon
that land I then joined Brother
Henry in offering up our petitions

Jan. 14th 1835

and thanksgivings to God while at the same time that precious land was polluted by ungodly men We travled 23 miles to Brother Bensons tarried with him through the night got 5 signers to a petition to the Governor of Missouri for redress of wrongs done us by the Jackson County mob

14th Left Brother Bensons travled to Brother Charles McClure being 5 miles got one signer to the petition

15th Left Brother McClures and travled 12 miles through some of the most beautiful prairies mine eyes ever beheld inhabited mostly by wild beasts such as Deer and wolfs called and spent the night with Brother Jotham Holbrook got one signer to the petition we at this time were again in Jackson County

Jan. 16th 1835

Jan 16th Left Brother Hitchcock
and travled 12 miles south of grand
river and was kindly recieved
by Mr James porter being 23 miles
preached the gospel to him and his
17th Left Mr porter and travled
within twelve miles of Harmony
Mission and was kindly Recieved
by Mr Walker being 26 miles
saw Deer and wolf visited many
18th Left Mr Walkers and travled
x to the Harmony Mission from
ro
thence to Mr Gerand the Indian
trader being 15 miles a straight
course but we lost our way and
wandered in the woods untill in the
night but we found our way
to the trading house by the hooting
of some of the Osage tribe who
were at the house we were kindly
recieved and well treated by
Jerew
Mr Jerew and entertained
by him through the night

Jan 19th Jan. 19th 1835 Left Mr Jenow and crossed
the Osage River and traveled through a
long level fertile praire a Southwest
course we traveled this day 60 long miles
it being so dark we could not follow
the road and we concluded to camp in
the woods for the night as we could hear
no sound but the howling of wolfs and
as we were about to build a fire we heard
the barking of a dog and the tinkling of
a bell we went towards the sound and
came to the house of Mr Williams
notwithstanding Mr Williams was for
jackson Co yet he received us for
the night this was in polk County
20th Left Mr Williams and traveled
to Mr Conner took breakfast with
and through 17 miles without [illegible]
him from thence across Sack River
east fork of Sac River
and on to Mr William Crisp being
14 miles in polk County preached
to him and his household to his satisfaction
21st Left Mr Crisp traveled again across Sack
river to Col Robert pollard 15 miles in Green
Co Mr pollard received us kindly we preached to
him

Jan 22 1835

Jan 22 Left Col. Potter travled across Spring River to Mr Joseph Fishers being 20 miles in Green County

23th Left Mr Fishers and travled to Mr Walter Turners in Green Co gave out appointment for preaching on the day following at Mr Turners being

24th preached at Mr Turners house and travled to Mr Clarks J Peas 1 mile in Green Co.

Sunday

25 On the Lords day Left Mr Peas and travled to Mr Joseph Henderson and preached at his house Being 3 miles in Green Co. Mr Henderson & family were much believing in the Gospel Mr Henderson & Son Signed the petition & bid us God Speed

26 Left Mr Henderson and travled across Shoal Creek to Mr Wm. L Pogue in Barry Co. being 14 miles

27 Left Mr Pogue & travled to Samuel Vaughan Esq being 20 miles near by the State line

Jan 28th 1835

Jan 28th Left Esq Vaughn and traveled out of the State of Mo X into the Arkansas Territory to Mr Andrew Nail was kindly Received by him this was in Washington Co. at the head of the Illinois River being 24 miles

29th Remained with Nail through the day in consequence of a hard storm

30th Left Mr Nail and traveled to Fayetteville from thence to Mr Ingram in Washington Co. 20 miles

31th Left Mr Ingham and traveled to Mr John Billingsly in Washington Co. 8 miles was kindly Received by him

Feb 1th be the Lords day preached at the house of John Billingsly to an Attentive congregation got 3 signers to the petition much of the Spirit rested upon us while preaching

2th Left Mr Billingsly and traveled to Mr Sanford Elmore in Crawford Co. being 25 miles. we passed through Some Cane breaks on this Day

Feb 3d 1835

Feb 3th Left Mr Ellmores and Crossed
Frog bayou Creek traveled on to
Mr Andrew Boyd in Crawford Co.
within 10 miles of the Court house. 20 miles

4th Left Mr Boyd and traveled to Mr John
Simmons in Crawford Co 20 miles
Crossed Little and Big Mulberry Creeks
and also White Oak Creek

5th Left Mr Simmons Crossed White
Oak Creek and traveled to Mr Nickolson
Crawford Co 20 miles

6th Left Mr Nicholson Crossed the
Arkansaw River at Hicksons
Ferry also Crossed Short Mountain Creek
from thence to Mr J M Walkers in
Crawford Co. being 30 miles

7th Left Mr Walkers Crossed the Renolle
Creek from thence to Mr Wm.
Riley in Scott Co distance 26 miles

8th Left Mr Rileys traveled to Brother
Willis Akerman distance 5 miles
in Pope Co.

9th Remained at Brother Akermans

10th traveled 6 miles with Mr Akermans
to assist him in temporal business

Feb 11th 1835

Feb. 11th Left Mr Akemans travled 2 miles
to Mr Johnathan Hubbel
12 Spent the day at Mr Hubbels in writing
13 Remained at Mr Hubbels wrote one
letter to the Brethren in Zion
14. On the evening of this day I was sudde
nly called to a house of mourning which
was Mr Alexander Akemans he had walked
out of his house and dropped dead upon the
ground in a few moments all his sons
and daughters were present it was truly
a time of Mourning Mr Akeman had
belonged to the Church of Christ his wife
died strong in the faith in Jackson
Co. Mr Akeman was through the persecution
in Jackson County in consequence
of which he moved to Pope Co Arkansas
Territory where he met his death ia sudden
manner immediately after denying the faith of the Latterday Saints
15. Returned to Mr Hubbels on the Lords
Day Spent the day at his house according
to appointment.
16. Attended the funeral assisted in burying
the body of Mr Akeman preached the word unto the
people got 10. signers to the Petition

Feb 17th 1835

Feb 17th. Travelled from Mr Akemans
to Mr Elijah Bakers preached at
his house according to appointment
from thence to Mr Josiphat Hart
who invited us to spend the night with
him Mr Hart was 74 years of age
and a patriot in the Revolution
he signed the petition distance 15 M
18. Left Mr Hart and travelled to Mr
Wm Wit distance 12 mile
got 5 signers to the petition
19. Left Mr Wit travelled to Mr Hubbel
preached at his house according to
appointment got 6 signers to the petition
from thence to Mr Benjamin Snellin
distance 4 miles
20. Left Mr Snellin travelled to Brother
Wright Akemans spent the day in labouring
with our hands from thence to Mr
Hubbel distance 3 miles spent the
Evening in preaching the word to
Mr Hubbels household Brother Henry
spoke in tongues and interpreted the same
the spirit of God rested upon us

Feb. 21st 1835

Feb 21. Left Mr Hubbel travled 2 miles to Brother Wrights. Akemans Spent the day in labouring with our hands then went to Mr Snellin who was dangerously sick. Spent the night in assisting him

22 On the Lords day left Mr Snellin travled 2 miles to Mr Hubbel meeting at his house much of the Spirit of God rested upon us Brother Henry Babtized 2 persons (Brother & Sister Hubbels)

23 Counceled together and concluded to go down the Arkansaw River to its mouth and cross the Mississippi River into Tennessee We left Brother Hubbel accompanied by Brother Wright Akeman for the purpose of making a canoe to go down the River in, crossed the Arkansaw river Spent the night at Mr John Morse distance 23 miles

24. Spent the day in digging out a canoe

25. Finished our canoe and launched it

26. Left Mr Morse crossed the River travled to Brother Hubbel distance 23 miles

Feb 27th 1835

Feb 27th Spent the day in labouring for Brother Hubbel with our hands

28 preached at Brother Hubbel house

March 1th on the Lords day and also on my birth day preached to a full congregation at Brother Hubbels house according to appointment got 7 signers

2 Took the parting hand with Brother & Sister Hubbel and all our friends at Petty John was accompanied by Brother Wright to the Dardenelle we crossed the River was kindly received by Mr John Morse and there found Mr Wm & Willis Akeman Distance 23 miles got 7 signers to the petition

3 Abandoned the idea of going down the river in a canoe and excepted of the offer of Mr Frederick Sangrain to labour for him a few days and go down the River with him in a keel boat Spent the day in labouring for him

4 Spent the day in labouring for Mr Sangrain

5th Spent the day in labouring for Sangrain

March 6th 1835

March 6th Spent the day in labouring & writing a letter to my Parents I had a view in this place of some dangerous reptiles which was two Sentapeeds and three Ternantulers their touch upon human flesh is considered immediate death the Arkansaw abounds with them especially among the rocks

7. Spent the day in labouring for Mr Alfred A Sangrain

8. On the Lord's day preached at Mr John Moss house Brother Henry and myself visited the top of the high bluff at the Dardanell and engraved our names in the rock this place is the Station which the Osage Indians took to view their enemies in war

9th & 10th Laboured for Mr Sangrain

11th In consequence of low water the covered boat could not go down the river therefore we concluded to procede on our journey in our Canoe We left Mr Sangrain embarked in our Canoe traveled 25 miles to to Petty John Mountain Stayed with Abm Barnet Pope Co.

March 12th 1835

March 12th Left Mr Burnst proceded Down the River to the Cadron Spent the night in an old deserted tradeing house I signed petition Distance 50 miles Conway Co.

13th Left the Cadron after visiting the black Bluffs traveld 40 miles Spent the night with Samuel Blackburn Pulaski Co.

14th Left Blackburn travled to Little Rock after visiting Little Rock 3/4 of an hour travled down the River was kindly received by Mr Jonas Jones in Pulaski County 53 miles

15th Spent the Day with Mr Jones preached to them

16th Left our Canoe with Mr Jones travld up the River by land 10 miles took the Military road leading from Memphis to Little Rock was received by Col Blues in Pulaski Co. 2 signers to the petition Distance 22 miles

17th Left Col Blue travled to Mr Jas Cribbins in Monroe Co. 40 miles Most of the way mud & water

18th Left Mr Cribbins Crossed White River at Clark ferry from thence to Mr James P Rolleson Monroe Co. Distance 18 Miles

19th Spent the Day in labouring for Mr Rolleson Also the 20 & 21th

March 22nd 1835

March 22 On the Lords Day preached to an attentive congregation at the house of Mr Pettcarr

23th Left Mr Pettcarr & travelled 40 miles most of the way through mud & water Stoped for the night with Wm J Clan at second Creek in St Francis County 2 signers to Pettition
[illegible]

24th Left J Clan travelled to John Cashem Distance 14 miles The time had now arived when my Colleague Deemed it expedient to take a speedy journey to his family at Pittsfield and on the 24th of March I took the parting hand with Brother Henry Brown which left me alone & preached in the Evening to Mr Cashem house to a large Congregation got 2 signers to the Petition

25th travelled from Mr Cashem to Wm A Johnsons in Critenton Co. Distance 20 miles Crossed St. Francis River got 3 signers to Petition

26 Left Mr Johnsons crossed Black fish Lake travelled 14 miles through mud & water preached at the house of Willis Fields in Crittenton Co got 11 signers to the Petition

27th Left Mr Fields travelled to & crossed the Mississippi River into Memphis State of Tennessee 14 miles preached at the house of Josiah Erickson to a
they got drunk that time they took me for an impostor
company of wicked men for + wanted to see if I could preach 4

March 28th 1835

March 28th Travled from Mr Jacksons to
Raleigh from thence to Mr John A Logwood
Fayette Co. Distance 32 miles 2 signers to petition
29th Attended meeting on Sunday 2 miles
30th Travled from Mr Logwood to Sommersville
& on to Bolivar Spent the night at the house
of Esq. Hardamand Amid Musick &
Dancing in Hardemand Co. Distance 35 miles
31th Travled from Mr Hardemand to Jacob
Sipes preached at his house in Madison
Co. 1 signed the petition Distance 24 miles
Aprail 1th Left Mr Sipes crossed Mount
Pinson from thence to Mr Daniel Beard
in Henderson Co Distance 30 miles
2th Left Mr Beard travled through pleasant
grove & Lexington and Maple Springs to
Mr Wm Morris Carrol County Distance 30 Mils
3th Left Mr Morris travled 14 miles to Brother
Clark Crowley got 2 signers to petition Humphrys
Co
4th Left Brother Crowley travled 5 miles to
Brother Joseph Frey. there I had the happy
privilege of meeting with Brother Warren
Parish who was faithfully ingaged in the
work of the Lord & baptizing such as should be
saved I am now expecting to labour with
him for a season

April 5th 1835

April 5th on the Lords Day remaned at Br Frey

6th preached at the Meeting house on Eagle Creek

also in the Evening of the same Day 4

7th Spent the Day in visiting the Saints at Eagle

Creek & traveled to Brother Crawley 4 miles

8th Traveled from Brother Crawley to John

Jacksons preached in the evening at his house

9th Left Mr Jackson traveled to paris to Brother

Isaiah Benton Distance 24 miles Henry County

10th A meeting for prayer at Brother Lanes in the Evening

11th Traveled from paris to Mr John Hartfield 10.

12th Traveled from Mr Hartfield to Wooples

on Sunday preached at the meeting house

Distance 10 miles was kindly received for

the night by Dr Richard B Clausell

13th Traveled from Dr Clausell into the 4

State of Ky Graves County preached

in the evening at the house of Mr David

Kelly Distance 9 miles

14th Left Mr Kelly traveled to Mr Clapps

preached to an attentive congregation

also in the evening Distance 6 miles

15th preached at Wid Burslos from 4

thence to Dr Clausell Henry Co

Distance 9 miles

April 16th 1835

Apraib 16th Left Br Clansell travled to Mr Ethrage preached to an attentive congregation was blessed with the Spirit of God. from thence to Mr Butterworth preached in the evening 10

17th Left Mr Butterworth travled to Brother Levi Taylor in Henry County Distance 14 miles

18th preached at the School house at Mr Chumbly Spent the night at Mr Joseph Chumley

19th Sunday preached at the School house Br parish Baptized five persons three of Mr Chumbly

20th Left Brother Taylors travled to Brother Samuel Smith preached at Mr Willey Mallory Calloway Co State of Kentucky

21th Left Brother Smith & preached at the house of Col Solomon Copeland Henry Co Te
18 miles
Mrs Copeland was healed by the laying on of hands

22th Travled from Col Copelands to paris 10 miles

23th Spent the Day in paris held a Debate with two Methodest priest & a prayer Meeting in the evening

24th Left the Brethren at paris travled to Elij Foster held two meetings at his house. 15 miles

25th From Mr Fosters to John Jacksons H S Co 15 m

26th Sunday from Mr Jacksons to Wm Camp at Chalk Level preach at his house Br parish Baptized one H S County 15 miles

April 27th 1835

27th
April Baptized one Seth Utley Went for Brother Freys Eagle Creek H. C. Distance 10 miles

28th Preached at E C Creek visited the sick & prayed with them traveled 4 miles

29th Spent the Day at Brother Freys in writing wrote one letter to the Saints in Zion Also to the Saints in the Arkansas

30th Wrote a letter to My parents in Connecticut Preached in the evening at Caldwell Medlocks 2 m

May 1th Returned to Brother Freys Continued writing 2 m

2th At night Preached at Sister Medlocks Br Parish Baptized 2

3th On the Lords Day Preached at Father Freys

4th Wrote a letter to Friend Ozem Woodruff Avon. Con. Spent the night at Br Medlocks

5th Returned to Br Freys traveled 4 miles

6 Rode 3 miles & preached at Mr Wm Malins

7th Rode to Morgans Creek Preached at John Walkers returned to Br Freys 15 miles

8th Spent the Day at Br Freys in Study & Writing

9th Traveled 2 miles visited the brethren & returned

10th Sunday Rode to May Maddens Preached to a large congregation from thence to Br Clem[illegible] Distance 30 miles || Br Parrish Preached at E Creek baptized 1 person

May 11th 1835

May 11th Rode from Br Crawleys to Br Utleys 4 miles

12th Rode to Lewis Barkers Preached at his hous Br
Parrish Baptized 2 persons distance 6 miles
13th Rode to Mr JOHN JACKson Preached at his house
7 miles
Baptized 2 one of them at the 11th hour of the Night distance
14th Rode to PARis Henry County distance 23 miles
We there found A Brother by the name of ASA DODDS
a
he was nearly blind both litterlly & spiritually
house
15th Spent the day in PARis Preached in the evening at the Court
16 Br Parrish maild A letter for Kirtland Rode to Col SC
10 miles
17th Sunday Preached at the Academy to A large
congregation also in the evening at Col Copelands
18th Rode to Br Wests Humphreys Co distance 30 miles
19th Rode to Willis Beards ESQ to Brother Freys & then
20 J Jacksons Preached at his house distance 20 miles
21 Rode to Col Copelands Henry Co distance 25 miles
22nd Rode to Br Taylors on Bloody distance 10 miles
10 miles
23rd Rode to Mr Butterworths Preached at his house
24th Sunday Preached at Butterworths Also in the
evening Bapttized 2 persons & Rode to Jms Rays
25th Rode to Brother Taylors distance 10 miles
26th Rode to Br Smiths then to Col Rowlets 7 miles
27th Rode to Col Copelands Henry Co distance 14 mi
28th Rode to Br Lanes in Paris distance 10 miles
29th Rode to Mr Fosters Preached at his house
from thence to J Jacksons distance 30 miles
30th Rode from Mr Jacksons to Jesse Roggers in this
days travel we past through Reynoldsburgh after
crossing Tennessee River Preached at Roggers 15 m
31st Sunday Preached at Mr Roggers to A large congr
egation on the authenticity of the Book of Mormon
June 1th Rode across Tennessee River to Br Werts 12 mile
2nd Rode to Br Utleys Preached at his house baptized
1 person then to Br Caps distance 4 miles

June 3d 1835

June 3th Rode to Maq Maddens Preached at his house visited & prayed with the sick then Rode to Maq Beards 25 miles
4th Preached at Maq Burrel Beards then Rode to br Frys 14 miles
5th Spent the day visiting the saints on Egle Creek
6th Preached at the Meeting house on Egle Creek
7th Sunday Preached at the Meeting house on E Creek Also at Brother Frys in the evening Baptized 2 persons
8th Rode to Brother Crawleys distance 6 miles
9th Rode to Mr Barkers Preached at his house from thence to ESQ Pettys distance 4 miles
10th Rode to John Jacksons 3 miles
11th Preached at J Jacksons Br Parrish baptized 1 which was Albert Petty ESQ then to J Lowerys 14 mil
12th Rode to Br Lanes in Paris Preached in the Court house 15 miles
13th Rode to Col Copelands distance 10 miles
14th Sunday Preached at the Academy
15th Br Parrish baptized 1 then Rode to Br Taylors 10 mil
16th Preached at Br Taylors & Rode to Mr John Freemans 5 miles
17th Rode to Concord calld on Doct B B Clausell then to Mr Joseph Chumley distance 9 miles
18th Rode to Mr Isaac Hendricks Preached at his house distance 10 Confirmed Br William McCullock
19th Rode to Col Dodds Graves County distance 10 mile
20th Rode to Mr Claps Preached at his house distance Graves county KY
21th Sunday Preached in the grove to A large company Br Parrish baptized 3 persons then rode to Mr McCaman Preached at his house distance 10 miles
22th Rode to Bloody from thence to Col Copelands 25 m
23 Rode to Paris Preached in the Court house distance 10
On the 23d day of June 1835 we receieved A letter from Brother Oliver Cowdery containing A request for Br Parrish to return to Kirtland as he was one of the Seventy chosen Also stating that it was wisdom for me to tarry & labour with the Church in great humility that I need not fear as their were other seventy to be called and that I was remembered

June 24th 1835

June 24th Held a debate with A Lawyier Wm L Sloss then rode to Mr Fosters preached at his house 14 miles 25th Rode to J Jacksons Humphrys Co distance 16 miles 26 Brother Parrish baptized 1 Br John Jackson then Rode to Mr L Barkers Preached at his house was followed by A speach from Mr Cave Johnson also from Mr Congc Perratt then Rode to Br Pettys Br Parrish baptised 1 Mrs Catherine Petty distance 6 miles 27th Rode to Maj Beards preached at his house then to Br Frys Egle creek distance 26 miles

24th Of June 1835 On the LORDS DAY Brother WARREN PARRISH Preached his farewell sermon to the Egle Creek branch of the Church of Latter Day Saints Elder Calvin H Nicholson was present As Br Parrish was one of the Seventy chosen it became necessary for him to return to Kitland it also became necessary for him to set the churches in order before his departure & Ordain such as should be chosen by the gifts & callings of God to watch over the Church And on the 24 of June 1835 brother Warren Parrish Ordained me an Elder & brother Caswell Medlock was ordained A Deacon over the Egle Creek branch I wrote & presented A reccommend to the Church ie Reccommending Br Parrish to the bishop & Church in general it was signed by the male members We truly had an affecting time, partook of the Sacrament closed the meeting by singing A farewell song then rode to brother Medlocks with Elders Parish & Nicholson

As i am now called to the office of an Elder I think it proper before further giving an account of my travels to ocipy A space in aranging my travels while I was A Teacher A Priest &c Whare & how far I traveled & who with and how many baptized &c &c

On the 31 which was the last day of Dec of the year 1833 I Joined the Church of Latter Day Saints was Baptized by Elder Zerah Pulsifer on the 31 of Dec 1833 in company with With my Brother Azmon Woodruff we were the two first that was baptized by A latter day Saint in Oswego Co NY I was ordained A Teacher by Elder Pulsipher Jan 2d 1834

Traveled while A Teacher from the 11th of Aprail to 25th of June 1834. — — — — — 1234 Miles
From Richland Oswego Co. NY to Kirtland Ohio 336 miles
From Kirtland Ohio to Liberty Missouri — — 902 miles
Total — — — — — 1234 miles

Traveled With brothers Seth Ingols & Henry Brown From Richland to Kirtland

Traveled with 150 or 200 Brethren with brother Joseph Smith Jun as our leader from Kirtland to Missouri

Remained A Teacher Untill the 5th of Nov
Wrote 12 Letter while A Teacher

I was Ordained A Priest by brother Simeon Carter by the direction of the high Council of Elders on the 5th of Nov 1834

I commenced travling to Preach the gospel on the 13 of Jan 1835 in company with Elder Henry Brown with A reccommend from Elder Lyman Wight

I Consecrated & Dedicated Myself, Properties, and Effects unto the Lord befor the Bishop in Zion on the 31st Dec 1834 A coppy of which is in the fore part of this Journal This that I may be A lawful heir to the Celestial Kingdom of God

The following is an account of my travels and proceedings
While Officiateing in the Office of A Priest
From the 13th of Jan to the 24th of June of 1835
I travled 1808. One thousand eight hundred & eight miles
to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ. Divided thus
212 miles in Missouri with Elder H Brown
656. miles in Arkansas Territory
608 With Elder H Brown & 48 Alone
940. miles in Tennessee & KY
760. miles with Elder W PARISH & 180. Alone
1808 miles the whole

I held 70 seventy Meetings Divided thus
10. With Elder Brown
4 Alone
56 With Elder Parish
70 The whole

I assisted Elder Brown while Baptizing 2 persons in ARK
Assisted Elder Parrish While baptizing 18 in Tenn
I Baptized 8 persons in Tenn & KY while with E PARish
And holding the office of A priest

I procured 73 signers to the petition to the
Governour of the State of Missouri for wrongs
inflicted upon the Church of Latter Day Saints by
the Jackson County mob divided thus
10. in Missouri
56 in Arkansas Territory
7 in Tennessee

I procured 4 subscribers for the Messenger & Advocate
And wrote 10. Letters

The Above ends my proceedings While holding the
Office of A Priest from the 5th of Nov 1834 to the
24th of June 1835 Making 7 Months and 23 Days
While I was not travling I was labouring with my hands

June 29th 1835

The following is A License Receieved from Elder Warren Parrish

This certifies that Willford Woodruff has been receieved into this Church of the Latter Day Saints organized on the 6th Day of Aprail 1830 and has been ordained an Elder according to the rules and regulations of said Church and is duly authorized to preach the gospel and act in all the ordinances of the house of the LORD agreeable to the authority of that office given under my hand by the voice of the Eagle Creek branch of the Church of the latter day Saints on the 28th Day of June 1835

ELDER WARREN PARRISH

TENN HUMPHREYS COUNTY

I shall now continue my Journal as usual

June 29th Rode from Br Medlocks to Br Frys in company with Elders Parrish & Nicholson spent several hours in writing then Rode to Squire Ivins Br Parrish baptized 1 person from thence to Br Walkers 4 miles

30th Rode to John Walkers on Morgans Creek preached at his house from thence to Br Frys distance 14 miles

July 1st Rode to Brother Utleys distance 4 miles

2d Preached at Br Utleys & organized that branch of the Church called the Chalk Level branch Br Parrish ordained Br Abel B Wilson A Deacon

3d Rode to Br Crawleys distance 6

4th Crossed Tenn River past through Reynoldsburgh to Col Rutherfords Humphrys Co distance 12 miles

5th Preached at Col Rutherforths Baptized 1 person

6th Crossed the River Rode to Br Utleys distance 12 miles Br Parrish baptized 3 in Henry Co on the same day

7th Rode to Br J Jacksons preached at his hous 4 miles this was A day appointed by our enemies to meet at Br Jacksons for the purpos of mobing us but while sickness fell upon some & fear upon others they Abandoned their designs

July 8th 1835

July 8th Spent the day with Br Jacksons
9th Rode to Mr Fosters Preached at his house then
Rode to brother Lanes in Paris distance 30 miles
10th Rode to Col Copelands distance 10 miles
11th Spent the day at Col Copelands & the night at Daviss
12th Sunday preached at the Academy to A congregation
of hundreds Was accompanied by Wm L Sloss to
Col Copeland distance 3 miles
13th Rode to Samuel Roberts preached at his house then
to Brother Taylors on bloody distance 10 miles
14th Preached at Br Taylors then rode to Mr Chumleys
15th Rode to Doct Richard B Clausell at Concord preached
in the grove then Rode to Br Taylors distance 10m
16th Took the parting hand with Br Parish [illegible]
And the friends on Bloody & Rode to Mr Butterworths
Preached at his hous & Rode to John McCullock 13 miles
17th Rode to McCamans Preached at his house 6 miles
18th Rode to M Lewis Claps KY 15 miles receieved
Elder ASA DOODS credentials According to the appointment
of the Counsel at Kirtland I ordained Br Benjamin Clap
A Teacher in the Church of Latter Day Saints
19th Sunday Preached by the School house 1 mile from
Mr Claps I followed A campbellite preacher Although much
threatened before meeting I was not disturbed Also
Preached in the evening at Mr Claps & baptized 2 pers
20th Rode to Clarks River & Preached at Mr Thomases
& Also in the evening to A large Congregation of
priests & people was opposed by one priest the rest
were silent spent the night with Daniel Thomas | 12 miles
21st Rode to Concord then to Br Taylors distance 30 miles
22d Rode to Col Copelands 10 miles whare I again met
with Brother PARRISH he informed me that he had baptized
5 persons since we parted I receieved A letter from my Parents
23d Rode in company for the last time with Elder Warren
Parrish to the mouth of Sandy Br Parrish Preached to several
hundreds for the space of three hours & baptized 1 person
the time had now arived however painful it might be

July 24th 1835

for me take the parting hand with Br PARRISH I know not that we shall ever meet again untill we meet in Eternity may the blessings of God crown his days & prepare him for the Celestial Kingdom O worthy Brother farewell but not forever I am now left alone without human aid to assist me in preaching the gospel my circuit is about 100 miles in extent besides the care of all the Churches within the limits of the same who is weack & I not weack who is offended & I burn not O may the LORD give me strength as my day & many souls as seals of my ministry O GOD prepare me for the battle. I took the parting hand with Brothers Parrish & Utley who was intending to Journey together t Kirtland then returned to Col Copelands distance of the day 20 miles

24th Rode to Brother Lanes in PARIS distance 10 miles

25th Spent the day in paris

26th Sunday Rode to Johnathan Lowerys Preached at his house to a large congregation was opposed by some individuals then Rode to Br Jacksons distance 25 miles

27th Spent the day at Br Jacksons

28th Preached at Brother Jacksons Baptized 1 one some armed men gathered together it was supposed to mob me but they came not against me

29th Rode to Br Pettys then to Br Williams distans 4 miles

30th Rode to L Barkers Preached at his house then to Caps 4 m

31st Rode to Br Utleys then to Br Crawleys distance 8 miles

Aug 1st Rode to Br Frys on Egle Creek distance 4 miles

2d Preached at Egle Creek Meeting house at 12 oclock Also at 4 oclock AM at Sister Barnets Baptized 2 two spent the night at Sister Barnets in company with Wm L. Sloss 2 miles

3d Rode to Brother Frys spent the day in writing & studying Stenography [illegible] from Wm L. Sloss 2 miles

4th Took the parting hand with William L. Sloss ESQ & the rest of the friends Rode to Br Utleys Preached 12 oclock 10 mi

5th Spent the day at Br Utleys

6th Rode to Col Rutherfords east of Tenn River Preached at 12 Returned through Reynoldsburgh on election day where there was much drunkenness & fighting rode to Br Jacksons & Preached in the evening distance 23 miles

Aug. 7th 1835

Aug 7th Rode to Mr Fosters Preached at his house receieved 2 subscribers for the M & Ad. distance 15 miles

8th Rode to Paris & herd of much excitement fearing an insurrection of the blacks distance 14 miles

9th Sunday Rode to Col Copeland Preached at the Academy distance 10 miles

10th Rode to Bloody distance 10 miles

11th Preached at Br Taylor then rode to Br Smith 5 miles

12th Visited the sick Rode to Br Taylors 5 miles

13th Rode to Mr Butterworths Preached D 10 miles

14th Spent the day at Mr Butterworths

15th Rode to Br Taylors was under the necessity of Swiming Bloody River after some difficulty I extricated myself & Horse from the water dis 10 miles

16th Sunday held communion with the Saints at Br Taylors & wrote A letter to Br Asahel H Woodruff

17th Spent the day at Br Taylors in study & writing

18th Rode to Mr Chumleys & wrote a letter to Br Henry Brown in Zion 14 mil

19th Rode to Concord then returned to Br Taylors

[illegible] 19 aug 1835 [illegible]

20th Rode to Col Copelands distance 10 miles

21st & 22nd Spent at Col Copelands

23rd On the Lords Day Preached at the Academy

24th Rode from Col Copelands to Paris distance 10 m

25th Rode to Mr Fosters distance 14 miles

26th Rode to Br Jacksons Preached at his house 14 mil

27th Rode to Br Albert Pettys distance 2 miles

28th Rode to Lewis Barker Preached at his house then Rode to Esle Creek

29th Preached at Br Freys Expeled Fanny Lewis

30th Spent the day in visiting the sick travled 6 mil

31th Rode to Br Crawley distance 6 miles

Sep. 1st 1835

1st Sept Rode to Br Wests Preached at his house then
Rode to Br Pettys distance 4 miles 4 miles
2nd Preached at Br Pettys then Rode to Br H Williams
3rd Rode to David Crenshaw Preached at his house
4th Rode to Paris distance 14 miles 14 miles
receieved A letter from Br W Parrish Kirtland
5th Rode to Col Copelands distance 10 miles
6th On the Lords day Preached at the Academy
by Col Copeland then Rode to Mr Lowthers 14 miles
7th Rode to Samuel Roberts Preached at his house
then Rode to Br Taylors 12 miles
8th Preached at Br Taylors Rode to Concord 4 mil 108
9th Rode to Mr Chumbleys 9 miles
10th Rode to Wid McCamrans passed many sick [illegible] miles
11th Rode to Br Clapps Calloway Co KY 10 miles
12th Benjamin Clapp & his Wife healed by the
laying on of hands then Rode to Br Loys 1 m 4
13th On the Lords day Preached at Mr Claps 4
Also in the evening Baptized 1: Mary Clapp
14th Rode to Mr McCollocks distance 12 miles
15th Rode to Mr Chumbleys on Bloody distance 14 m
16th Rode to Br Taylors spent the day in writing
17th Rode to Mr Freemens Preached at his house
18th Rode to Br S Smiths 2 miles 7 miles
19th Rode to Mr Gainers distance 9 miles
20th On the Lords Preached at Mr Gainers communed
With the Saints & Ordained Br James Young A deacon
21st Rode to Paris distance 10 miles spent the
day in reading Owens & Campbells debate sent A
Letter to Elder John Whitmer at Kirtland
22nd Rode to Mr Granshaws Preached at his house
23rd Rode to Br Howard Williams distance 15 miles
herd of the Death of Sister Nancy Wood who died on
the 13th of Sept 70 years of Age Rode to Br Utleys had
A plesant interview with Br Utley as he had just returned
from Kirtland he brought me A letter from W Parish
also A Book Containing the doctrines & Covenants of the
Church of the Latter Day Saints as A present from O Cowdery

Sept. 24th 1835

24th Sept Spent the day in Perusing the Book from Br Cowdery & found it to be A precious treasure A legacy from heaven

25th Rode to Lewis Barkers Preached at his house Baptized 1 distance 5 miles 1 subscriber for M&A

26 Rode to Br Wests Preached at his house dis 6 mil

27th Sunday Rode to Br Caswell Medlocks Preached at his house to A large Congregation Also in the evening at Sister Barnets distance 9 miles

28th Rode to Father Freys Commenced copying Journal

29th Continued Coppying my Journal

30th Preached at Br Frys

Oct 1st Coppied Journal through the day Rode in the evening to Br Medlocks 2 miles Preached at his house in the evening & baptized 1 one

2nd Rode to Br Crawley Preached at his house 4m

3rd Rode to Br Willsons from thence to Br Utley 6 miles

4th Sunday Preached at Br West

5th Rode to Br Pettys distance 6 miles

6th Preached at Br Pettys then rode to Br Williams 4 mil

7th Rode to Br Jacksons 1 mile

8th Rode to David Cranshaws Preached at his hous 15m

9th Rode to Paris distance 15 miles Receieved 2 letters by male one from Brother Asahel H Woodruff the other from Sister Rebecca Dayton Kirtland Ohio

10th Rode to Col Copeland distance 10 miles

11th Sunday Preached at the Academy Rode to Frasiers 4m

12th Rode to Samuel Roberts Preached at his house then Rode to Br Taylors distance 10 miles

13th Preached at Br Taylors Receieved 2 subscribers for the M&Advocate 116m

14th Rode to Concord & returned to Br Taylors

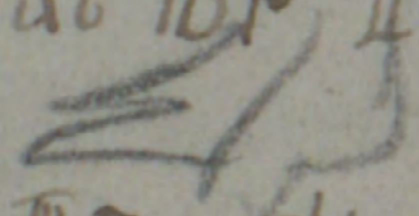
15th Rode to Isaac Hendricks Preached at his house then Rode to Mr Clapps on Taropen Preached at his house distance 30 miles

16 Rode to Br Loys 7 miles

October 17th 1835 1

17th Oct Preached at Mr Clapps & Baptised 1 one
then Rode to Br Loys Preached at his house
and returned to Br Clapps 3 miles
18th On the Lords day Rode to Clarks River 10 mi
& Preached in the meeting house had A
debate with A Campbellite Priest Also Preached
at night in the same Place on the Authenticity
of the Book of Mormon to A large Assembly
19th Procured 1 subscriber for M & A d. Preached
in the evening at Br Thomases the Spirit of God rested
20th I Baptized 3 Campbellites one A deacon
then Rode 12 miles & Preached at Mr Joseph
Greenwoods Mr Greenwood was 81 years of
Age & A revolutioner unde George Washington
his wife who was Carding Wool Elizabeth
Greenwood was 93 years of Age & well
remembered Braddocks Army
21st Got 2 signers for M & A d. rode to Br Clapps
3 miles Preached in the evening at Br Claps on Jerrans River
from the L th Psalm 3.4.5. verses When I opened
A dooor for the reception of members by baptis
When 8 came foreward & gave me their
hand all were Campbellites save 1 which
Was A Baptist We repaired to the water
whare the Spirit of God & the solemnities of
of Eternity rested upon us while administerin
the ordinance of Baptism. It was A scene
that caused rejoicing in both heaven & Earth
to view 3 men lead their wives into the same
element whare our Saviour had lain to obey
the mandates of heaven
22st Preached at Br Camps got 1 signer for E & M star
23rd Rode in company with Br Benjn Clapp to Br
Taylors distance 22 miles
24th Wrote A Letter to President John Whitmer
Kirtland sent 7 subscribers for papers 14. baptis
sent $ 5 00 money

Oct 25th 1835

Oct 25th Preached at Mr Chumleys on the Lords day
26th Rode to Col Copelands 10 miles
27th Rode to Paris 10 miles held A Council &
Expeled Mrs Lucy Benton Maled A Letter
to Br J W Whitmer dated 27st
28th Rode to Capt Lowerys from thence to Br Jackson
got 1 subscriber for M & Ad distance 40 miles
29th Preached at Br Jacksons Rode to Br Pettys 12 miles
30 Rode to L Barkers Preached at his house
then Rode to Br Crawless 10 miles
31st Rode to Br Frys. Nov 1st Preached at 1 Frys 7 miles
Nov 2nd Rode to Br Utleys 10 miles
3rd Rode to Br Wests Preeached at his house
two persons had the gift of tongues 2 miles
4th Rode to Br Pettys Preached at his house
from thence to Br Jacksons 8 miles
5th Wrote A Letter to Br Benton Rode to
Mr Fosters with Brothers Seth Utley &
Clapp distance 14 miles
6th Rode to Paris 14 miles
7th Rode to Col Copelands 10 miles
8th Preached in the evening at Mr Lowthers
9th Rode to Br Taylors 10 miles
10. Preached at Br Taylors Rode to
Br S. Smiths  9 miles
11th Rode to Mr Chumbless 8 miles
12th Rode to Mr Hendricks Preached 12 m
13th Rode to Br Clapps on Taropen KY. with
Br Utley lost our way travled 25 miles
14th Preached at Camps in the evening the
Spirit of God rested upon us & signs followed
the believer 4 came foreward for baptism

Nov 15th 1835

NOV 15th Sunday Preached at Br Clapps in the [illegible] on the attribut of God & Baptized 5 Persons then mounted our horses to ride to Clarks River in company with Seth Utley & four other Brethren & two sisters We rode to the Creek but could not cross withou swiming our horses as A heavy rain had fallen the night & day before. As night was overtaking us & Also dangerous for females to swim their horses we attempted to head the Creeks sufficiently to ford them But in the attempt both in the darkness of the night & A hard Storm of wind & rain overtook us we lost our way. We had neither fire light nor road but was in rain. wind. creek mud. & water & tree tops setting aside our horses & females we made more the appearance of fishermen than travellers i thought of Pauls perils by water But the Lord doth not forsake his saints even in the seventh trouble for while we were in the woods grouping as the blind for the wall suffering under the blasts of wind & rain A light suddenly shone around about us without either Sun Moon or Stars so that we were able to reach A hous whare we receieved directions & Procured some torches to serve us as lights. We went our way rejoiceing allthough the wind & rain beat upon us & the darkness returned We reached Mr Henry Thomases house at about 9 oclock at night without much harm after riding 20 miles & being 5 hours in the storm & fording Creeks & branches 20. or more times without murmering either Male or Female & felt to thank God for preservation

16 Preached at the meeting house on Damonds Creek Also at Mr Thomases at Candle light

17th Baptized one & organized the Damonds Creek branch of the Church of Latter day Saints & ordained Daniel Thomas A Teacher then rode to Br Loys 12 miles Whare I in company with Seth Utley & Br Loy & his family were called out in the night to view the signs in the heavens which was three clouds havin the appearance of fire & blood one in the North one in the East one in the West each about the size of an acre of ground they arose from the Earth into the air frequently changed their places

Nov Nov. 18th. 1835 Utley
18" Rode to Br Clapps took the parting hand with Br
19" rode to Mr Greenwoods Preached at his house 3 miles
20. Rode to Mr Hendricks distance 10 miles
21st Rode to Br Taylors distance 10 miles
22. Sunday Preached at Mr Chumbleys
23 Rode to Jn Gainers Preached at his house 10 m
24. Rode to Paris 10 miles
25. Rode to Mr Fosters 14 miles
26 Rode to J Jacksons Preached at his house
Got 1 subscriber for M&Ad. 14 miles
27 Rode to Mr Barkers Preached at his house 6 miles
8 miles
28 Rode to Br Crawleys
29" Rode to Br Metlocks Preached at his house 10 miles
30" Rode to Mr Jordans Preached at his house returned
to Br Frys procured 4 subscribers for M&Ad
Also 1 subscriber for E&M Star Wrote 1 Letter 22 m

Dec 1st Spent the day at Father Frys in writing
wrote 2 Letters 1st to President John Whitmer
the other to Elder Warren Parrish both directed to
Kirtland Geauga Co Ohio Gave J Whitmer an accoun
of 6 baptized sent 4 subscribers & $5.00 in money sinc
Oct 24

2" Rode to Br Crawleys 8 miles Whare I unexspectedly
met Elder Elias F Wells who informed me that Elder Daniel
Cathcart was at Paryville labouring & that he
would soon visit us I expect Br Wells will labour with me
3. Rode to Br Wests Preached at his house & in the evening 14 m
4. Rode to Br Pettys Preach at his house 4 miles
5 Rode to J Jacksons 3 miles
6 Sunday Rode to Capt. Lowerys Preached at his hous 14
7. Rode to Paris distance 20 miles
8" Preached at night in the Court house & while
Preaching some person turned one of our horses
loose to stray
9 I spent the day in writing wrote A Letter to my Parents
10 Spent the day in Paris got 1 subscrider for M&Ad.
11" Wrote A Letter to Br Asahel H Woodruff
12" Walked to Col Copelands 10 miles & found our stray horse
13" Sunday Preached at the Academy rode to J Youngs 5 miles
14. Rode to Bloody to Br Taylors 10 miles
15 Preached at Br Taylors rode to Freemans 5 miles
16 Rode to Mr Chumbleys 6 miles
17. Rode to J Hendricks Preached at his house
& Rode to Br Simeon Hendricks 20 miles

Dec 18 1835

18 Dec Preached at Father Greenwoods at night
19 Saturday Rode to Br Clapps on Jennings Creek Preached at his
house & Baptized 5 Persons 4 men 1 Woman
one of the men was A Campbellite Priest communed
with the Saints had a good time .8 mile
20 Rode on Sunday to Clarks River Preached
at Mr Henry Thomases house at 12 oclock Wh
A mob of Fifty men-o2,p led by A Baptist Pries
came out against me But after questioning me
on one point their leader advised them not to
lay hands on no man for their principles it
was good advise & well taken I Preached again
at night at the same Place & Baptized 3 Persons
the man of the house & his ~~mother~~ Mother
who was 78 years of age & another sister
were the Persons Baptized Rode 10 miles
21 Rode to Waidsborough 7 miles Preached in the
evening to A respectable Congregation got 1
signer for M & Ad. was Kindly receieved for
the night By Doct Richard Knuckles & W Frasier
22 Rode from Waidsborough to Mr Freemans
on Bloody R. KY distance 24 miles
23 Rode to Brother Levi Taylors 4 miles
24 Commenced studying Kirkhams English Grammer
at Br Taylors & there spent the week........
27 Sunday Preached at Mr Chumbleys
28 Rode to Br Davises Preached at the School
house then rode to Col Copeland distance 12 mil
29 Rode to S. Smiths on Bloody 12 mil
30 Rode to Mr Chunleys 5 miles
31st of Dec the Last Day of 1835 spent at Br Tayl

Thus ends the year of

1835.

The two following pages show correctly the
abridgment of my Journal travels & Proceedings of
1835.

On the night of the last day of Decr of the year of our Lord 1835 I Perused my Journals & found it to contain the following account of my travels & Procedings in the year of 1835 commencing the 13th of Jan. 1835 making one year 12 days excepted

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3248 miles

1st Traveled three thousand two hundred & forty eight miles divided in the following manner

From 13th of Jany to the 28. of June traveled 1808 miles while holding the office of A Priest

212. miles in Missouri with Elder Henry Brown 212 miles

656. miles in the Arkansas Territory 608 with Brown. 48 ~~56~~ Alone

940 miles in Tennessee 760 with Elder W. Parrish & 180 miles Alone 940 miles

Traveled from the 28th of June to the 31st of Dec after holding the office of an Elder in the states of Tenn. & KY. principly Alone 1440

The sum total 3248 miles

2nd I held one hundred & seventy meetings divided in the following manner 170 meetings

while A Priest 10 with Elder Brown 56 with W. Parish 4. Alone 70

And 100. after holding the office of an Elder Principly Alone 78 100

The whole number 170 meetings

I Planted organized & built up 3 Churches

3rd I Baptized forty three 8 while A Priest & 35 While an Elder 3. were Campbellite Priests

The number Baptized 43. Baptized

I was A Partner with Elder Brown in Baptizing 2. Persons in the Arkansas & with Elder Warren Parrish 18 Persons in Tenn.

4th I Procured twenty subscribers for the Latter Day Saints Mess Advocate while an Elder & 4. While A Priest 24. Mess

Also 2 for the reprinted Star 2. Star

I confirmed 35 persons

5" I Procured seventy three signers to the Petition to the Governor of Missouri for redress of Wrongs done the Church by the Jackson County mob 10 in Missouri 56 in the Arkansas & 7. in Tenn^{ee} While A Priest. 73.-5

6" I Wrote eighteen Letters 8 while A Priest 10 While an Elder & receieved 10. 18 Letters

7" I. ordained two Teachers & one deacon 3. Ordained

8" I. expeled Seven members from the Church but not While hope remained 7 Expeled

9" I held three debates or answered When Publicly opposed 3.

10" Three companies in the form of mobs gathered together against me at one time the Company Consisted of. about fifty men led by a Baptist Priest yet I sufferd no harm 3. mobs

The before mentioned is the account of my procedings of the year of 1835. which has bourn its report to heaven of me & all other men & could it not have bourn more Wellcome news. Ah it cannot be recalled the Sable shades of night have allready spake the departure of 1835 And the Queen of the night is issueing forth her brilliant light to wellcome the dawn of 1836 Which approaches us in a calm to go out in a storm. O momentious & important year which Will hurl thy millions to the tomb & shake Kingdoms & bespeak A God in Israel. O God enable my heart & hands to be clean for A year to come When God speaks Who can but Prophecy.

Willford. Woodruff.

Jan 1st 1836

The. second. Book. of Willford. for 1836.....

1st Jan. Friday spent the day at Brother Levi Taylors Bloody KY.

2nd Wrote A Letter to Elder W. Parrish containing 200. lines in answer to his Dated Nov 29' 1835 Which I receieved on the 1st of Jan 1836

3rd Preached on the Lords day at Joseph Chumbleys returned to Br Taylors & spent the Week studying Kirkhams English Grammer

10th Sunday met with the Saints at Mr Chumbleys returned to Br Taylors spent the week studying

16 Saturday Rode to Copelands distance 10 miles

17 Sunday Preached at the Academy after Parson Potts returned to Col Copeland 4 miles

18 Rode to Mr Roes Preached at his house rode then rode to George W........ Brandons Preached at his house at night got 1 subscriber for M Ad. 16 mile

19 Rode to & crossed the mouth of Sandy at Authors ferry to Br Tailors 24 miles

20 Rode to Joseph Chumbleys 1 miles

21st Rode to James Hendricks from thence to Taropen 30 m

22 Rode to Father Greenwoods Preached at his house then Rode to Br Camps 7 miles

23 Preached at Br Clapps & Blessed 10 Children in the name of Jesus Christ then rode to Clarks River distance 12 miles & Collected $ 1400 Dollars for the building of the house of ~~the~~ Lord at Kirtland

24. Preached at Br Thomases Sunday & blessed 6 Children after I closed meeting A Baptist Priest William Willson arose & asked us to attend a meeting of theirs & cleer ourselves if we were not guilty of those things which they alledged again us I answered him before the People & remarked that I was surprised to see them take the liberty & authority of the Country into their own hands to try American citizens by

25 Rode to James Martins Preached at his house also at night distans 12 miles

26 Rode to Br Thomases Preached at his house 12 miles

Jan 27th 1836

27 Jan Rode to Stephen Bradys distance 24 miles
28 Preached at Stephen Bradys & rode to J Freemans. 14 m
29 Preached at John Rowletts & Blessed 3. Children in the name of the Lord & rode to Br Taylors 5 miles
30 Rode to Br Smiths Preached at his house [illegible] 3 m
31 Sunday Preached at Br Taylors

Feb 1st Rode to Br Davises 10 miles Collected $5.00 dollars for building the house of the Lord at Kirtland Ohio
2 Rode to Paris 10 miles & receieved a Letter from President J Whitmer at Kirtland
3 Rode to David Granshaws 14 miles
4 Rode to J Jacksons Preached at his house 14 miles
5 Rode to L Barkers Preached at his house from thence to Mr Tittles Preached at his house distance 10 miles
6 Rode to Br Frys Procured 1. subscriber for M&Ad. 10. m
7 Preached at Br Frys on Sunday
8 Rode to Mr irvin Jordans Esq. Preached at house 12 miles
9 Rode to Mr Dodds Preached at his house after closing meeting Parson Cure arose & red a letter from A mob man in Jackson Co opposing the Latter Day Saints I answered him & the Scene closed by Sisters Lucy Ann & Susanna K Fry Singing the Sectarian Cudgel then rode to Father Frys 15
10 Rode to Sister Barnetts at night [illegible] 3 miles
11 Rode to Brother Frys Spent the day Writing 3 m
12 Spent the day in coppying my Journal rode to Sister Matlocks distance 2 miles
13 Rode to Br Frys 2 miles & there found Elder Elias F. Wells & Elder Daniel Cathcart Who had returned with him in order to attend the Conference With us at KY it was a Pleasing interview to us all
14 Sunday rode to Br Walkers. Preached at his house from thence to Sisters Barnetts 4 miles
15 Spent the day at Sister Matlocks to attend the sale of her Property after the Death of Deacon Caswell Matlock Who died Dec 24. Aged 27 Yrs I solicited contributions through the day for the building of the house of the Lord at Kirtland Ohio & Procured $25.00 cts from the honourable men & Saints to be applyed to that purpose then rode to Br Crawleys 10 miles I also contributed $6. dollars myself for the house of the Lord

Feb 16 Feb 16th 1836
Rode to Br Pettys Preached at his house, 10 miles & 4
I Wrote A Letter to John Whitmer & Jared Carter
& sent them two subscribers for M & Ad & &
baptised since Dec 1st 1835 & sent them in the Letter
$40. dollars & an account of $5. dollars that I
sent in Seth Utleys Letter. $45 dollars the whole
$6. dollars was for papers & $39. for the house lc
of the Lord at Kirtland Ohio

17 Rode to George W Brandons in Texes distance 25 miles
Preached at his house at night 4
18 Preached at G W Brandons at 12 oclock then
rode to Col S. Copeland distance 14 miles
19 Rode to Paris & receieved A Letter from Elder Wm
Parrish. Dated Jan. 31st 1836. Which I red with great
delight then rode to Samuel Edneys distance 18 m.
20 Rode to Col. Copelands from thence to J Gainers 4 m
21 Rode to the Academy Preached after Parson Potts
then rode to Mr Fraziers from thence to Mr
Lowthers Preached at his house then rode to
Col Copelands 10 miles. got one subscriber for M & Ad
22 Rode to Wid.. Young Preached at her house & rode
to Br Taylors distance 10 miles
23 Rode to Br Smiths Preached at his house & [illegible] 12 miles
24 Rode [illegible], With [illegible] Cathcart & Wells & [illegible]
A O Smoot to Br Simeon Hendricks 20 miles
25 Rode to Br Browns 3 miles

Feb 26. 1836 Met in Conference at Br Lewis Clapps on
Taropen Calaway Co KY. according to appointment
& proceded to order Elder Willford Woodruff
was called to the Chair & Elder Daniel Cathcart
appointed Secretary the conference was opened
by Prayer by President Woodruff. Elders Present
Willford Woodruff. Elias F Wells & Daniel Cathcart
Teachers Benjamin Clapp, Daniel Thomas. & Deacon
Abram O Smoot, Presdt Woodruff arose & red the
the Covenants of the Church & commented some upon
it after which a voice was taken upon ordinations
of some ones who came foreward for ordination

Feb 27th 1836

And it was carried by a clear voice after which Presdt Woodruff Proceded to ordain Abram O Smoot Elder & Benjamin Boydston Elder & Daniel Thomas & Benjamin Clapp Priests & James Allen Teacher & Henry Thomas & John Camp Deacons. After Which Seven branches of the church was represented Presdt Woodruff represented, one Branch on Egle Creek Benton Tenn 15 in good standing one at Chalk Level 21. in good standing Benton Co Tenn one on Cyprus in Benton Co. Tenn 9. in good standing one called the Academy Branch in Henry County Tenn 8 in good standing one on Bloody river Henry Co Tenn 11 in good standing one on Taropen in Galloway Co KY 24. in good standing. Damonds Creek branch KY 4 in good standing & represented 7 remaining members scattered abroad all in good standing the whole number 103. members in good standing. We then Proceded to appoint a Conference at Br Seth Utleys Chalk Level Benton Co Tenn on Saturday & Sunday the 28, 29 of May closed by Prayer by Elder Abram O Smoot

After conference closed we had an intermision of 30 minits & met again when Elder Cathcart taught the church the word of wisdom I followed him upon the same subject which closed the duties of the Day After dividing our circuit in the following manner Elders Cathcart & Boydston labour together in KY & Elders Woodruff & Smoot labour together in Ten. & Elder Wells take A mishion by himself & all to meet at the Academy near Col Copelands Tenn on the 3rd of Aprail 1836

Feb 27th Preached at Br Clapps & was followed by Elders Cathcart. Wells. Smoot & Boydston & then rode to Br Johnston F Lane who had moved from Paris Tenn to Taropen KY. & I Procured $23. dollars from the Brethren from for the building of the house of the Lord

Feb 28th 1836

Feb 28 Sunday Rode to Father Greenwoods Preached at
his house then rode to Br James Allen distance 6 miles
Sister Margarett Clapp Was instantly healed at the
laying on of hands of the Elders

29 Rode from Br Allens With Brothers Cathcart. Bo
ydstun & Clapp to Mr John Clapps on the Little
Obine Graves Co. KY. distance 24 miles

March 1st 1st. 1836 Tuesday Preached at John Clapps it
being my birth Day making me 29. years of Age

2 Rode to Mr Rice Cobb at Mayfield distance 12 miles Preached
at Mr Cobbs & Was kindly receieved by the People we
left other appointments & then rode to Br Thomases on
Damonds Creek KY. 14. m the whole distance 26 miles

3 Spent the Day in Visiting the Saints the night at C Parke

4 Preached at Br H Thomases I followed Cathcarts
& then rode to Br James McCartney with [illegible] 2 miles

5 Rode to Mr James Martins Preached at his house at night
I followed Elders Cathcart & Boydstun 12 miles

6 Sunday Preached at James Martins to a large Congregation
I followed Elders Cathcart after meeting we rode to
Br Thomases distance 12 miles

7 Preached at night at Br Thomases Was followed

8 Rode to Henry H Martins Preached at his house
I followed Elder Boydstun distance of the day 14 miles

9 Rode to Stephen Bradys Preached at his house upon the
autheonticity of the Book of Mormon & then rode to
John Freemans distance 14 miles

10 Preached at John Rowletts

11 Rode to Br Taylors distance 4 miles Lord
& Collected $13. dollars for building the house of the

March 12th 1836 Spent the day at Br Taylors in Writing
Wrote two Letters one to President John Whitmer &
the other to Elder Warren Parris I sent Presdt. Whitmer
$20. dollars of money $4. for M & Advocate & $16 dollars
for building the house of the Lord at Kirtland & one
Subscriber for M & Ad I Also sent Elder W. Parrish
$20. dollars for the house of the Lord making
$40 dollars in both Letters I also gave them an
account of the Conference $36 dollars for the
house & $4 dollars for Papers

March 13th 1836

13
March Sunday Preached at Br Taylors communed
With the Saints after meetings visited Sister
Chumbley Who lay apparently upon a bed of
Death but Was resigned to the will of God &
after bidding her farewell I left in company
with Elder Abram O Smoot Who has now
commenced traveling with me to Preach the
gospel of the Son of God may the Lord bless us
& enable us to do much good rode to Mr John
Landers Preached at his house on the Authenticity
of the Book of Mormon & after meeting closed
held a debate with Parson Potts 6 miles
14 Preached at the School house by Br Davises
Baptized one & rode to col Copelands 6 miles
15 Rode to Paris had an interview With Br Benton 10 mile
16 Rod to Mr Granshaw distance 14 miles
17 Rode to Br Jacksons & met With Elder Wells Preached
at Br Jacksons [illegible] then
traveled to Br H. Williams distance [illegible] 16 miles
18 Rode in company With [illegible] to 2 miles
Brother Aldert Pettys
19 Rode to Mr Sanders Preached at his house 10 miles
20 Sunday rode to Br Joseph Freys on Eagle Creek
Preached at his house distance 14 miles
21 Spent the day at Br Freys writing in company
With Elders Smoot & Wells
22 Spent the day writing rode in the evening to
Sister Matlocks [illegible]
23 Spent the day visiting the Saints & the night at Sister
24 Took the parting hand of the Saints on Egle Creek
[illegible] rode to [illegible] Seth Utleys 15 miles.
25 rode to Br Thomas Hubs [illegible] 1 miles [illegible] Baptised 1 [illegible]
26 rode to Br Wests Preached at his house was
followed by Elders Smoot & Wells distance 6 miles
27 Sunday Rode to Br A Pettys Preached at his house
[illegible] the Spirit of God rested upon
us rode to Br Wilsons [illegible]
[illegible] Spent the night at Mr Tittle. 10 miles
28 Spent the day in reading and & Writing Preached
at night at Mr Tittles had much of the Spirit
of God I [illegible] Warned them of the
judgments of God

March 29th 1836

soon after meeting was dismissed Miss Elizabeth Wilson was attacked with violent sickness [illegible] we thought she would soon depar[illegible] but the Lord was merciful unto her [illegible] thought [illegible] qualifications [illegible] Elizabeth had much influence in the society of her acquaintance esspecially her sect

March 29th Walked to Mr Malins to attend the ordinance of baptism [illegible] administered by Elder Wells unto Mrs Tittle then returned to Mr Tittles I wrote A Letter to Elder Calvin H Nicholson [illegible] jects [illegible] word [illegible]

30 [illegible] Rode to Br Jacksons from thence to Mr Brannons in Texas [illegible] Preached at night distance of the day 8 miles

31 Baptized 2 [illegible] rode to Mr Wm Roes Preached at his house then rode to Mr Lightners Preached at his house [illegible] distance 15 [illegible] 7 miles

Aprail 1st Rode from Br Brannons to Col Copelands 14 m

2 Rode to Youngs [illegible] I wrote A Letter to Elder Parish at Kirtland Ohio [illegible] Prospectus \ mormonism from the methodist Paper printed at Nashville [illegible] other [illegible] 3 mile

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3 Rode to the Academy [illegible] Br Young on Sunday [illegible] rain we was soon Joined By Elders Cathcart, Boydstun, & Smoot we rode to Col Copelan[illegible] Whare I learned from [illegible] Boydstun & Smoot tha[illegible] there began to Be discords [illegible] in some branches of the Church in consequence of the teaching of Elder Cathcart which I was sorry to hear distance of the day 6 miles

4 I took the parting hand with my Brethren & start[illegible] to visit the churches that were left in commotion by unwise procedings of Elder Cathcart I rode to Mr Joseph Chumbley entered his house but found sister Mary Chumleys place was vacant her spirit had gone to the Paradis of God she died in the triumphs of faith in the New & Everlasting covenant on the 24th of May 1836 Aged 59 Years [illegible] Br Tailors 10

5 rode to Br Smith Preached at his house to Br Tailor 4 m

6 rode to James Hendricks from thence to Br Bradys & to Br Lane distance 4 22 m here I learned the [illegible] church was in by the conduct of [illegible] Cathcart [illegible]

April 7th 1836

Aprail 7th Rode to Br Simeon Hendricks & spent the day in teaching them & strivings to reinstate them into their former faith & fellowship which had been shaken by wrong constructions upon the Law of the Church &c by Elder Cathcart these are days of trial Who is weak & I am not weak Who is offended and I burn not O my God give me wisdom & spirit to feed the flock & proclaim against every evil spirit. held a debate with Mr Alfred Loy I warned him of 24

8 Rode to Father Greennwoods Preached at his house at 12 oclock also at Br Bradys at candle light and then rode to Br Clapps [illegible] 8 mil

9 Spent the day in visiting the Saints striving to unite them in love faith and truth Preached at night at Br Camps had much of the Spirit of God

10 Sunday Preached at Br Clapps & communed with the Saints I felt to rejoice to find the Saints beginning to be united in faith & love — [illegible] rode to J Turnbow 2m

11 Rode in [illegible] Br Benj Clapp to Felisanna Graves Ky. Preached at night at Mr Joseph Lasswells do 22

12 rode to Mr Southerlin H Johnsons Preached at his house [illegible] got one subscriber for M & Ad [illegible] 6 miles

13 Rode to John Clapps [illegible] Br [illegible] Preach at Mr Clapps [illegible] 10 miles

14 Rode to Rice Cobbs preached at his house & rode in company with Mr Joshua Shelton to his house Preached at Mr Sheltons at night 16 miles

15 Left Mr Sheltons & rode to Mr David Hodges preached at his house distance 8 miles

16 Rode to Br Daniel Thomases preached at his house at night [illegible] 14.6 12 V i Rev [illegible] 14 miles

17 Sunday preached at the School house on Damons Creek & baptized one & preached at night at Sister Parkers to a large congregation 4

18 rode to Br H Thomases spent the day at his house

19 Rode to Br Levi Taylors on Bloody Tenn & there glorious to here I learned that Elder David Patten (one of the twelve Apostles of Jesus Christ chosen in these last days) had arived was at Col Copelands in 8 or 10 miles of me from Br Taylors I rode to Mr Freemans from thence to John Rowlett Whare I had an interview with Elder O Smoot

April 20th 1836

it was a happy meeting he had been with Elder Patten & his wife for several days Br Smoot related the news to me from Br Patten which was glorious in the first degree he gave me an account of the endowment at Kirtland Ohio the heavens was opened unto them Angels & Jesus Christ was seen of them sitting at the right hand of the father he also informed me that Elder W Parish (& his wife) one of the first seventy with some others of the first Elders was expecting to visit us & also the second seventy was chosen & that I was one of the number O God prepare me for the Battle while combating error with everlasting truth the above are great blessings indeed Distance of the day 30 miles

20 Preached at John Rowletts & rode to Br Taylors Jr

21 Rode to Mr John Gainers whare I was Privileged with a happy interview with Elder David Patten also Sister Patten his wife Br Preached I followed him rode after meeting [illegible] 16 m

22 rode to Br S Smiths [illegible] 2 miles

23 rode to Br Tailors Preached at his house 2 miles

24 rode to Br Davises [illegible] Sunday Preached in the grove to a large congregation [illegible] I baptized one & confirmed two by the waters rode to Col Copeland distance of the Day 18 miles

25 Spent the Day at Col Copelands

26 Rode to Mr Granshaw [illegible] Preached at his house distance of the Day 72 miles

27 Baptized 3 persons [illegible] & travled to Br Jacksons 14 m

28 travled to Br Pettys [illegible] to Br Jacksons Preached at his house [illegible] then rode to Br Utleys from thence to Br Willsons 12 m

29 rode to Br Seth Utleys [illegible] 4 miles

30 Rode [illegible] to Mr Shorts Preached at his house 50

May 1st Sunday rode to Col Irvi Carns Preached at his house 12 m [illegible] then rode to Br A B Wilson Preached at his house I followed Br Patten [illegible] I Prophesied to the People of the Judgements of God that awaits them after meeting I walked to Mr Tittles Preached the word to him & he arose and I Baptized him at the midnight hour distance 14 miles

2 rode to James Mericks Preached at his house 6 miles

May 3d 1836

May 3 Rode to Father Frys distance 10 miles

4 Preached at Br Freys at candle light

5 Spent the day at Br Freys copying my Journal & studying the HEBREW

6 Spent the day studying & writing at Br Frys

7 Travled to Sisters Barnetts 3 miles

8 Sunday Preached at Sister Barnetts took lead of the meeting rode to Br Walkers Preached house

9 Rode to Br Frey Wrote A Letter to my Parents then rode to Br Crawleys 10 miles

10 rode to Br Wilsons from thence to Br Wests 6 miles

11 Rode to Br Wilsons Preached at his house Elder Patten took the lead returned to Br West 4 miles

12 Travled to Br Utleys I wrote with Elder Patten to Joseph Smith jr 3 papers

13 Rode to Br Pettys Preached at his house Elder Patten Preached in the Spirit of God I Baptized 3 persons 5 miles

14 Rode to Col Rutherfords Preached at his house 10 m

15 crossed Tennessee River rode to Mr Rogers Preached at his house on Sunday to a large congregation Elder Patten Preached then rode to Br Utley 16 mile

16 Spent the day visiting the Saints the night at Br Wilson 4 m

17 Baptised Margaret Tittle She was healed by the laying on of hands rode to Cade A Crawley 4 miles

18 Left Br & sister Patten at Br Crawley & Walked to Mr Beards from thence to James Merrick from thence to Esq Jordans

19 from thene to sister Matlocks I their found Elder Boydstun & returned to Br Frys whare we was soon joined By Br & sister Patten 12 mile

20 Spent the day at Br Frys in writing & walked in company with Elder Boydstun to sister Matlocks 2 miles

21 Spent the day at Sister Matlocks Studying

22 Sunday Walked to Br Frys to attend a meeting according to appointment which commenced at 10 AM. Elder Patten Preached three discourses 1st from the Parable in the fore Part of the 20th Ch Math the 2nd from Ephe 1.10 & 3rd from the Authenticity of the Book of Mormon after the close of the last discours Mr Rose rejected the testimony given & called on Br Patten to rase the dead that he might believe Br Patten rebuked him sharply for his infidelity & unbelief we then communed with the Saints I then retired from the scene with Elders Patten & Boydstun to a stream of Pure Water & cleansed our hands & feet & testified against that People who had threatened us & rejected our testimony we delivered them into the hands of God

May 23d 1836

May 23rd Travled to Br Crawleys from thence to Br Titles with Elder Boydstun 10 miles

24 Spent the day visiting the Saints the Cyprus branch of the Church the Proccedings of the day were as follows Travled to Mr Joseph Ash & found the family shaken in their faith three of which were members of the Church they were shaken by the conduct of Br John Jackson Who was a Teacher in the Church but had denied the faith & now become hostile. from thence to Br Pettys from thence to John Jacksons house he was absent found his wife Sister Jackson turning from the faith & desireing to leeve the Church walked from thence to Br Howard Williams he had lost faith & desired to leav the Church his wife Sister Williams Also Sister Nancy Wood both were unbelieving & a prospect of their leaving the Church & this by the influence of of John Jackson We then returned to Mr Jacksons had an interview with him he denied all his former faith & pretentions he raged much was filled with the spirit of anger wrath [illegible] & he rejected our testimony [illegible] We left his house at 10 oclock at night & went to a stream of Pure water & clensed our hands & feet & testified against him that our garments might be be clear of his Blood We then walked to Br Pettys & spent the night distance of the day 12 miles

25th Walked to Br Wilsons distance of the day 3 miles

26 Walked to Br Wests with Elders Patten & Boydstun

27 Elder D. W. Patten held a council or an interview at Br Wests with Elder Cathcart Boydstun & my self to inquire into our teaching & found Elder Cathcart had tought wrong We then travled to Br Seth Utley whare we was soon Joined by Brothers Clapp, Allen, & Thomas from KY. Also Elders Smoot & Wells & our Beloved & worthy Brother Warren Parrish who had came direct from Kirtland Ohion to attend the conference & labour in this South Country for the season we truly had a happy interview 2 miles

May 28 May 28th 1836

At a conferenc convened at Br Seth Utleys agreeably to appointment on the 28 day of may 1836 Congregation Called to order & Elder David W Patten nominated & seconded to officiate as chairman & Elder Warren Parish Secretary Opened by singing & Prayer & Proceded to business The Chairman made some Preliminary remarks touching the object & order of the meetings & called upon the official members to inform the Conference in What manner they had tought also their present faith in the fulness of the gospel as contained in the bible book of mormon & book of doctrins & covenants Elder W. Woodruff Was called upon to offer us his feelings upon the subject Which he did to our entire Satisfaction the Chairman then Called upon all the official members present to rise upon their feet if they concured in what Elder Woodruff had said the vote Was unanimous also the Church concured in the same. Benjamin Clapp Priest then arose & represented ~~& represented~~ the Taropen Branch Which consists of 28 members in good standing Daniel S. Thomas represented the Clarks River branch consisting of 9 members in good standing Elder A. O. Smoot represented Blood River branch consisting of 10. members in good standing Elder Woodruff represented the Academy Branch consisting of 10 members in good standing with the exception of their not altogether observing the word of Wisdom Deacon A B. Wilson represented the Chalk Level branch Consisting of 27 members in good standing With the exception of some few Who have been shaken of late by the ungodly conduct & teaching of John Jackson Which was a Teacher in the cyprus branch but has now apostatized. Elder Woodruff represented the Eagle Creek branch consisting of 15 members in good standing Also Cyprus branch consisting of 10 members 3. of which have apostatized John Jackson their Teacher is one of the number 3 are disaffected & 4 in good standing Also 7 members scattered abroad not recognized with any branch

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John Jackson Was expeled by the conference Sister Jackson & Howard Williams had their names with drawn from the church by their request & the voice of the church Deacon Abel B Wilson & Jesse Turpin was ordained Priest & Albert Petty Teacher under the hand of Elder W Parrish the move was made by the chairman & a unanimous vote given by the church for the above ordinations A vote called & unanimously carried that Elder Elias F Wells shall receieve a letter of commendation to the Church in Kirtland Congragation dissmissed by singing With the blessing of God

An action was prefered against Elder D Cathcart by Elder Wells for unchristian conduct & the conference of Official members repaired from Br Utleys to Br S Wests to try the case Elder Cathcart was convicted of unchristian conduct & fals Teachin & being led by evil spirits Which was supported 88 by strong testimony he confessed his faults & asked forgivness Which was granted him on condition that he would repair the wrongs which he had done in the different branches of the church Which he Promised to do he was then restored to fellowship. The conference closed by Prayer Which closed the Proceedings of the DAY

May 29th Sunday met at Br S. Utleys at 10 AM according to appointment Elder W Parrish Preached in the former Part of the day & Elder D.W. Patten in the latter Part of the day they both Preached in the Power & spirit of God although threatened by wicked men we were not harmed We communed with the saints & closed by singing THE SPIRIT OF GOD LIKE A FIRE IS BURNING

30 Travled with Elders Patten & Parrish to Br Frys held a meeting at his house Elder Parrish Preached & was followed by Elder Patten & both filled with the Power of G
10 miles

May 31st 1836

WO IS ME IF I PREACH NOT THE GOSPEL

Spent this 31st DAY of MAY at Br Fry Eagle Creek and found it to be the most interesting, important & instructive day of my LIFE. For on this Glorious DAY I was ordained unto the High Priest hood and also as one of the Second Seventy & sealed up unto Eternal LIFE under the hands of my Beloved Brethren. VIZ Elders David W Patten & Warren Parrish my ordination was requested by the PRESIDENCY of the Church at Kirtland Ohio Their was glorious things Pronounced upon my head in my ordination by the spirit of Prophecy & Revelation some I will mention which are as follows That although my enemies would strive to take my life & confine me in dungeons & Prisons yet God should give me Power over my enemies & deliver me out of their hands & from their vaults. Prisons & Caves in the name of Jesus Christ. & that men would bow at my feet & worship me if I did not say to them do it not & that Kings would bow before me & Princes give me their hand. & that I should Baptize them into the Kingdom of God & that I should be blessed on the EARTH when my head blossomed with age & if I desired it I should remain on the Earth untill the comeing of the Savior & that God would give me the desire of my heart & that God had had his eye upon me all my life long to Prepare me for this work YEA [illegible] that I should travel to the nations of the Eearth & the Islands of the sea to Proclam the word of God When these and other blessings were Pronounced upon my head I was filled with the Power & Spirit of God EVEN SO LET IT BE AMEN O GOD THE ETERNAL FATHER I ASK THE IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST TO PREPARE ME FOR THY USE AND GIVE ME THE SPIRIT OF MY MESHICA

Ohio

A true copy of a licence conveyed to me from Kirtland

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

THIS Certifies that Willford Woodruff has been received into the Church of Latter Day Saints organized on the sixth of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty and has been ordained an elder according to the rules and regulations of said church and is duly authorized to Preach the gospel agreeably to the authority of that office. From the satisfactory evidence which We have of his good moral character and his zeal for the cause of righteousness and diligent desire to persuade men to forsake evil and embrace truth We confidently recommend him to all candid and upright People as a worthy member of Society. We therefore in the name and by the authority of this church grant unto this our worthy brother in the Lord this letter of Commendation as a Proof of our fellowship and esteem: Praying for his success and prosperity in our Redeemers cause Given by the direction of a conference of the Elders of said church assembled in Kirtland. Geauga county Ohio the third day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six

JOSEPH SMITH Chairman
F. WILLIAMS Clerk

Kirtland Ohio. May 2nd 1836

This certifies that the within (Above) Licence was recorded on the 2d Day of May 1836 in Kirtland Ohio in the Licence Records Book A. Page 97

THOMAS BURDICK
Recording Clerk

Warren Parish Ordained wilfor Woodroff an Elder June 28 1835

While holding the Office of an Elder from the 28th of June 1835 to the 31st of May 1836 I Traveled 2.557. Miles & held 182 meetings. Baptized 48 Persons. Blessed 19. children in the name of JESUS CHRIST Ordained 2 Elders 2 Priest 3 Teachers 3 Deacons & Procured 23 subscribers for M & A & 2 for the star & 95 dollars for the House of the LORD at Kirtland. Wrote 18 Letters held 7 debates 2 conferences 5 healed under my hand 3 mobs gathered together against me

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I also on this 31st Day of May Wrote a Letter to President O Cowdery Kirtland Ohio containing one subscriber for M & Ad & $2 dollars for M & Ad this Letter contained the substance of the two Letters I mailed for Kirtland Dated March 12. 1836 Which we suppose are lost I sent this Letter & money by the hand of Elder Elias F Wells Who was going direct to Kirtland & may God give him a safe return

June 1st Spent the day at Br Frys in writing I took the Parting hand with Elders Patten & Parrish

2nd THE time had now come for me to take the Parting hand with the saints on Eagle Creek & the regions round about & Perhaps for the last time untill Israel is gathered Elder Smoot & myself took the Parting hand with Elder Cathcart & Father Frys household Who had long entertained the Saints Kindly it was an affecting Scene then traveled to Br Crawleys from thence to Br Wilsons & after conversing an hour with them I took the Parting hand with Br Wilson & his family [illegible] much [illegible] from thence to Br Tittles Parted with his family from thence to Br Wests from thence to Br Pettys Whare I spent an hour with the Precious Saints of God & supped at the table of this Israelite (in whom their is no guile) in company with the saints & Br & Sister Patten & Br Parrish after supper I took the Parting hand with these Beloved friends (I say Beloved for God Knows they occupy a conspicuous Place in my heart) & returned to Br West distance of the day 20m

3rd Took the Parting hand With Br Wests & his family & rode on Jude a beast of Br Wests to Br Utleys took the Parting hand with him & his family then rode to Tennessee River crossed at Kirkmans ferry from thence to Mr Roggers Preached at his house Wrote a letter to [illegible] upon the subject of religion 16m

4th Rode from Mr Roggers to Mr William B Aments at the rolling mill Steward County Tenn distance of the day over a rough road 40 miles

5 Sunday Preached at Mr Aments to a respectable People was solicited to leave an other appointment rode through Dover crossed the river at the mouth of Sandy from thence to Br Taylors on Bloody 30 miles

June 6th 1836

June 6th Elders Patten & Parrish arived at Br Taylors
in the morning & I rode in company with them to James
Hendricks Elder Parish tarried & Elder Patten rode
with me to Br Lanes whare we spent the night 20 m

17th Elder Parrish came to Br Lanes & we all rode to Br
Clapps to attend meeting Elder Patten Preached on
the Law of the Church & Elder Parrish on Charity
& the gifts or body of Christ I W W testified to the truth 5 miles

8th Rode in company with Elders Patten. Wells & Parrish
& other Brethren to Br Henry Thomases on Damons
Creek K.Y. Lewis Clapp was healed under our hands 12 miles

9th Held a meeting at the meetinghouse Elder Patten
Preach at 11 o'clock AM & Elder Parrish at 2 PM when
Elder Parrish closed Elder Patten arose bound the
Law & sealed the testimony & Prophesied upon
the heads of some of the ungodly People who were
Present. We then repaired to the water & Elder
Patten Baptized 2 one was Father Henry Thomas
A Revolutionary Soldier & served under George
Washington Elder Patten was filled with the Pow
er of God numbers were healed of sickness

10th Took the Parting hand with Elders Wells & Boydstun
as on this morning Br Wells started for Kirtland
I also took the Parting hand with Elders Patten &
Parish who was going to middle Tennessee while
I & Elder Smoot labour in KY & meet at the Conference

11th Spent the day at Br Thomases copying my Journal
Preached at Daniel Thomases a 5. PM & communed
with the Saints

12th Rode with Br Daniel Thomas to Mr Thomas Bonds Preached
at his house on Sunday. Caloway Co. K.Y. then rode
to James Martins. distance of the day 15 miles

13 Preached at Mr Josias Shorts in the Spirit of God 3 miles

14 Rode to & Preached at Mr Davids Carters Graves Co. K.Y. 5 m

15 Rode to Mr William J Hodges Mccracken County K.Y. 4 m

June 16 Rode to Paducah McCracken Co. Ky Preached at night June 16th 1835
at the Court house to an attentive Congregation.
Spent the night with Priest Isaiah Benton distance 10m

17 Rode to William D Hodges 10 miles

18 Preached at the Public meeting house

19 Sunday Preached at the meeting house Priest Benton Spoke

20 Rode to Josias Shorts Preached at his house house
had a good time found many believing 12 miles

21 Rode to Br Thomases visited the Saints had a severe
Cold on my longues distans 12 miles

22 Rode to Br Clapps Was quite unwell , &c 12 miles

23 Preached at Br Camps Was joined by Elder Smoot

24 Rode with Brs Smoot & Clapp to Mr Jeremiah B.
Murphys Weakly County Tenn distance 25 m

25 Rode to & Preached in the Court house at Dresden
from thence to Mr McClures Preached at his house &c

26 Sunday Preached at the Court house in Dresden
Elder Smoot & Priest Clapp followed me then rode
to Mr John Bowers Preached at his house &c 10 m

27 Rode to the Baptist Meeting house on Thompsons Creek
in Consequence of falshoods from Parson Browning
the Baptist shut the doors against us Parson Browning
appeared angry at me & my brethren for rectifying
his errors & falshoods I asked the privilege to Speak
to the people either from the fence or a Stump or
Cart or in the Street one man gave us liberty to Stand
on his land opposite the meeting house we assembled
& Preached to the People & was blessed with the Spirit
of God we then rode to Randolph Alexanders
Weakly County Tenn distance of the day 15 m

28th After Selling a Book of Mormon to Mr
Alexander We then Rode to Mr Alexander
McKinzies in Weakly County Tenn &c 20 miles

June 29th 1836

29th June Preached at Mr McKinzies held a dabate with a Baptist Priest after meeting & Selling a Book of Mormon to McKinzies We Rode to Mr David Criders Gibson Co Tenn 7m

30 Spent the day at Mr Criders [illegible]

July 1st Preached at Mr David Criders & Spent the night With Elder Smoot at a Baptist Prists A Mr Bradford a Predestinarian though rather inclining to the faith of Mr Hunt a fanatic Who called himself Moses and Bradford Aaron Hunts visitors were Speckled birds it is said

2 Rode to Mr Randolph Gilberts Weakly Co. Tenn m 25

3 Sunday Preached at the Green hill School house in Carroll County Tenn to a large respectable congregatio on the authenticity of the Book of Mormon Also Preached at 5 P M at Mr William McClesky the People were much excitited many were our friends some Believing & some accused us of being Abolitionest I red the 17th No of the M & Ad. which put to silence those falshoods I obtained 2 subscribers for M & Ad. 6 m

4 Rode to Mr Martin Maxwells Preached at his house upon the Parable of the vineyard spake by the Prophet Zenas Spent the night at Maxwell had much Conversation with ~~a~~ Company of Atheist esspecially their Celebrated leader Mr Cathy. I retired to bed at 12 oclock & was attacked with a fever Pain in the breast & soreness of longues in Carroll County Tenn distance 3 miles

5 Arose in ill health & rode to Mr Gilberts with Brs Smoot & Clapp from thence to the Baptist meeting house by Mr Winns in which house we held a meeting 4 miles

6 My health some improved rode to Jeremiah B Murphys 15

7 Took the Parting hand with Prist Clapp who returned home Spent the day in writing wrote three Letters one to R M Gilbert one to A McKinzie & one to David Crid & then rode to Mr John Bowers 2 miles

8 Arose in the morning sick with the french Measles But Preached at Mr Bowers & rode to R Alexanders to an appointment I lay abed While Elder Smoot Preached then I arose & made some remarks I spent a vary sick night & in much pain distance of the day 6 mil

July 9th 1836

9th Jul Arose refreshed in some degree & rode to Boydsville from thence
to Taropen whare I found Br Boydston with the Church
& I Perused the 7th No of the M& Ad 4-½h 25 miles
10 Sunday held a meeting with the Taropen branch &
communed with the Saints at Br Clapps then rode to
Br Braidys whare we spent the night in Company
with Brother & Sister Lane with their Son David Patten
11 Rode to Br Taylers on Bloody distance of the day 20 m
12 Rode to John Freemans & returned to Br Taylors &
13 wrote two Letters one to A. B. Wilson one to Elias F Wells

14 Wrote A Letter to President. O. Cowdery Kirtland
sent him 9 Subscribers for M& Ad & gave him an account
of my Procedings & wrote upon the Abolition question

[illegible]

15 Recieved a Letter from Elder Parrish Dated
Kirtland Ohio Aprail 20th 1836 Communed with the Saints
16 Rode with Elder Smoot from Blood River Henry Co
Tennu to Cumberland rolling mill Stewart County Tenn
Crossed Tennessee River at Winns ferry 40 miles
17 Sunday Preached at Mr Aments Inn at 11 AM
Also at 3. PM to a large Congregation Sold a Book
of Mormon Procured 3. Subscribers for M& Ad
Spent the night at the rolling mill at Mr William B Amend
18 Rode to Mr Askews ferry Elder Smoot & myself rowed
ourselves & horses across the Tennessee River in the
ferry boat after droping one oar into the River &
having to use another broaken one we landed with
a circulation of Blood & blistered hands from thence
we passed through the Texas forded Sandy at the
at the sholes Elder Smoot swam the river I crossed
below from thence we rode to Mr Thomas Fraziers
Spent the night with him distance of the day 35 m
19 Rode to Col Solomon Copeland Henry County Co
Tenn whare I learned that Elders. David Patten &
Warren Parrish had addressed a Letter to Col
Copeland Stating that the Sheriff & other officers
Benton County Tenn had issued a warrant against

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them & myself The Crime alledged against us was that we had taught that Christ would come in this generation & that we said some individuals would receive the Holy Ghost in 24. hours but as I was absent myself I was not taken but Elders Patten & Parrish was taken by an armed company Say 50 in number they were bound under $2000,00 dollars bond for their appearence at Court Brothers Seth Utley & Albert Petty was their bondsman on Tuesday following they appeared at Court to plead their own cause like St. Paul But they were deprived of every Privilege that both the law of God & man Warrents them Elder Parish Pled his own cause in some degree but no evidence or lawful hearing was not granted them & the judges decided this mock trial to suit the ungodly rabble & condemned them without any cause of Guilt found in them & after condemning they let them go clear But the ungodly mob desired to beat them before they left but they were not Permited. O. thou God of Israel Stretch fourth thy hand & save thy Saints O. America hide thy face in Shame & disgrace as the day dawns While thy Sons Stab liberty to the heart by Persecuting beating & Puting the LATTER DAY SAINTS to death for worshiping God after the dictates of their own Conscience for thou wast built upon the Pillars of freedom Rode from Col Copelands to Br Tailors distance of the day 10 miles

They were taken June 19, & tried June 22d 1836

20 Rode to Br Linzy Braidys distance of the day 20 miles
21 Held a Prayer meeting at Brother Camps 4 miles
22 Wrote a Letter to Sister Margaret Atkinson
23 Rode to Randolph Alexanders Weakly County Tenn 20 m
24 Sunday Preached at Alexanders in the grove to many
25 Rode to Mr Bowers Preached at his house spent the night at Jeremiah Murphys distance 6 miles
26 Rode to A McKinzies spent the night at Mr Hues. 16 m
27 Preached at Mr Hues & rode to David Criders Gibson County Tennu distance 14 miles

July 28th 1836

28 July We herd that a mob was intending to come against us on Saturday & Sunday

29 Rode to Trenton Gibson Coun: Tenn. & returned. 14m

30 Saturday Preached at David Criders on the Book of Mormon

31st Sunday Preached at David Criders to a large congregation & no mobing manifest but I baptized Mr David Crider amid darkness. blindness. scoffs snears. & the Prejudices of ungodly men. we confirmed him & his family

Aug 1st Rode to Mr R Gilberts Weakly County Tenn 25m

2 Took JUDE the beast that I had been riding for the last year (that belonged to Br Samuel West) out of the stable to ride to the Green Hill School house to attend to an appointment for Preaching & found her verry lame & sick their was many observations relative to her sickness the final conclusion was that she was Poisond I rode her to meeting & Preached from thence to William McCleskeys distance 4 miles which was the last time that I or any Person ever rode this Beast spoken of Above

3 Arose & found my beast still worse Elder Smoot went to attend a previous appointment for Preaching I tarried to attend to Jude my sick beast but in a few hours she fell to the Earth & struggled for about an hour uncommon for Beast & Died I opened her & became convinced for myself it was Poison Thus ended the life of Jude a beast who had carried me thousands of miles to Preach the gospel of Jesus Christ Also hath carried other Elders many miles on the same errand I am now left on foot may I be reconciled to all the Providences of God While I tabernacle in the flesh

4 Travled to Br Murphys in 2½ miles of Dresden. 12 mile.

5 Travled to Mr Alexanders distance 5 miles

6 Preached at Mr Alexanders and Baptized 2 Broth & Sister Murphy [illegible]

7 Sunday Preached at Mr Bowers from 8. 9: 10: 11 chapter of Romans spent the night at Mr Bowers 5 miles

8 Wrote a Letter to Elders no James Murphys Blakesly & G Dutcher

Aug 9th 1836

9 Aug Wrote a Letter to Br David Grider & rode a hors of Brother Murphys in Company with Elder Smoot to Taropen Caloway County KY. distance of the day 25 miles

10 Rode to Bloody & ~~Rode~~ Wrote a Letter to Br West 20 m

11 Rode to John Gainers Whare I had a happy interview With Elder & sister Patten who had just been driven from Benton County Tenn by a lawless mob becaese of Pure religion Elders Patten & Parrish were both hunted by the ungodly rabble from place to Place untill Elder Parish left for Kirtland & Elder Patten Came to Mr Gainers Persecutions rage among the Gentiles Behold the signs of the times Distance of the day 10 miles

12 Rode in company with Elders Patten & Smoot to Paris from thence to J. M Gilbert Esq. distance 35 miles Elder Patten informed us that Benton County men had formed themselves into an independant Company to beat & Kill the Elders of Latter Day Saints if they Came into that County Will not God be avenged upon such a nation as this . O. God save thy Saints While Babylon falls beneath thine ire

13 Held a meeting at Gouldsbys meeting house Weakly County Tennu Elder Patten Preached I followed him rode from meeting to Mr John Greens 6 miles

14 Sunday Preached at the meeting house Elder Patten Preached two discourses upon the last dispensation & gathering from Ephe 1st 10. After Preaching a Contribution was asked for me to assist me in paying Br West for his Mare which Died in my care the People gave me $ 8.56. cts. We then Rode to Esq Gilberts Elder Patten Preached to the People after Which We parted with Elder Patten & rode to F Gilberts & spent the night distance 6 miles

15 Rode [illegible] to Mr Summers distance 3 miles

16 Preached at Gouldsbys meeting house & Elder Smoot Baptized one Mrs Summers [illegible] 6 miles

17 Rode to Br Murphys 2 miles North of Dresden Weakly County Tennu distance of the day 16 miles

Aug 18th 1836

18 AUG Spent the day at Br Murphys Writing

19 Left Br Murphys horse with him walked to Mr Alexanders distance of the day · 4 miles

20 I sat under the Preaching of Elder Patten at Mr Alexanders after meeting Mr Alexander & his wife came forward for Baptism which was administered unto them by Elder Patten after Baptism I took the parting hand with Elder Patten & returned to Brother Alexander 4 miles

21 Sunday Preached at Br Alexanders from Jer 31=22

22 Walked to Boydsville from thence I lost my way But arived in the night at Br Clapps vary weary & thankful to find a shelter distance 22 miles

23 Preached at Br Braidys Brothers Smoot, Benton & Clapp followed me the Spirit of God rested upon us Br Benton informed us that Elder Patten had received a Letter from Zion under the hand of Elder Marsh bringing the inteligence that the Saints were about to leave Clay County & Colonize by themselves in consequence of a mob that was arising against them & Also that Elder Marsh was about to visit us Probably be at our Conference Distance 4 miles

24 Travled to Br Tailors whare I found Br Cathcart who had a Letter for me on perusing it I found it was from my Parents I was rejoiced to hear from them the Letter informed me about many friends that ware enjoying good health distance 20

25 Wrote two Letters one to my Parents in Connt & the other to Joseph Hart an uncle in Springfield Massachusetts

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26 Spent the day in writing at Br Taylors

27 Rode to John Freemans & returned to Br Taylors 4 m

28 Sunday rode to Thomas Fraziers Preached at his house a mob arose but left without much disturbance went to Br Taylors 20 miles

Aug 29th 1836

29 Aug Walked to Br Smiths & Was in Company with Elders Smoot & Cathcart at night We Were unexpectedly Called upon to go to Joseph Chumbley to have an interview with President Thomas B Marsh Who Came in Company with Councellor Groves by order of the High Council of Zion to visit the Church in the South to ~~loan~~ Borrow monies to purchase lands in Zion We had a Spiritual interview then returned to Br Tailors for the night 4 miles

30 Visited the Academy Branch of Church Spent the night at Brother Davises, distance of the day 14 miles

31st Traveled ~~with Elders~~ to Paris & returned to Br Taylors on Bloody whare I found Presidents Marsh & Patten had a happy interview with them distance 30 mile

Sept 1st Traveled With Elders Cathcart & Boydstun to Br Camps Taropen KY. distance 22 miles

2 Rode in Company with the Saints to attend the Conference at Br Henry Thomas's Damonds Creek Calaway Co KY on friday Sept 2nd 1836 distance 12 miles

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A true Copy of the procedings of the Tennessee Conference at their meeting on Damonds Creek Calloway County KY. Sept 2nd 1836

Minutes of the procedings of the general Conference of Tennessee held on Damonds Creek Calaway Coun Kentucky Sept 2nd 1836

Elders Present. President Thomas B Marsh. President David W. Patten, Councellor Elisha H Groves, Elders W. Woodruff A. O. Smoot. D Cathcar & Benjn Boydstun. President Marsh was duly Called to the Chair. R Alexander was chosen Clerk. The Conference was opened by Singing & Prayer after which the Priests were Called upon to represent their respective Branches Priest Daniel Thomas represents the Damonds creek Branch Who

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Arose & stated that one by the name of Henry Thomas had been added since the last Conference none expeld this branch is strong in faith & grows in grace. Priest Clapp represents the Taropen Branch & stated that one by the name of Lewis Allen had been added since the last Conference none expeled this branch growing in grace with their faces set Zion Ward ———

Elder A. O. Smoot represents the Blood River Branch in good standing strong in faith & growing in grace. President Patten represents the Sulpher well Academy Branch in good standing two been added since last Conference Lewis & Robert Copeland & one been Expeled from the above named Chorch by the name of Emily Dyer. Also represented three members near Wyetts Mills in good standing Also the Chalk level branch in good standing growing in grace & truth & numbers the same as at the last Conference & the Eagle Creek branch in good standing numbering the same as at the last Conference Cypres Branch in a more thriving Condition than heretofore numbering the same as at the last Conference Also 4 others members in good standing Scattered abroad. Also three in Henderson County near the Sulpher Springs Baptized since the last Conference Baptized under the hands of Elder Cathcart. Elder Woodruff represented six member in good standing in Thompsons Creek branch in Weakly County Tenn Who were baptized since the last Conference under the hands of Elders Patten Woodruff & Smoot. The Conference then took into considerations the Propriety of Calling on the Presidency of the Seventies by Letter or otherwise

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for ministers of the gospel from their quorums to fill the vacances for preaching in this regions of Country Wharefore it was motioned & Sceconded & carried that Presidents Marsh & Patten write to the said Presidents for six faithful labourers to be sent from their quorums into this part of the Country. And further resolved that Whareas Elders Woodruff & others are about to leave this region of country for Kirtland & Zion President Marsh & Patten write also to the Presidency of the High Priest hood at Kirtland requesting them to send fourth to this region of country an High Priest of their quorum to watch over this Church. Be it further resolved Sd. Marsh & Patten Prepare & send a Petition to the Editor & Proprietor of the Saints Messenger and Advocate requesting him to publish in addition to the Messenger a monthly Periodical large enough to contain all the interesting or edifying Letters from the Elders abroad when Conference ajourned to 10. oclock next Day

Sept 3rd Conference met according to ajournment opened by Prayer & singing The Case of Lucinda Benton was presented who was found to have beenn illegally cut off. Wharefore She was restored in full fellowship untill she could get a fair trial. A short address was delivered from the Chair on the necessity of the Tennessee Conference keeping a church reccord of all the names belonging to the several Branches of said Conference And also the necessity of each branch sending a Priest to represent their branch & to bear the names before the general Conference of all who have been added since the last conference & any that may have been blotted out—

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Further resolved by the Conference that the Church Purchase Books to Keep a general record of the Church. Also that Brother Johnston F Lane be chosen & appointed Clerk & ordained to the office of an Elder to Keep the general Church record of the Tennessee Conference accordingly Johnston F Lane was ordained to the Office of an Elder Also Benjamin Clapp & Randolph Alexander Ware each ordained to the office of an Elder the above were ordained under the hands of President D. W. Patten Also Br Linzy Braidy was ordained under the hands of Priest Benton to the office of a Deacon Conference adjourned untill 2 P.M. then met according to adjornment opened by Singing & Prayer after Which a sermon was deliverd by Counsellor Groves & followed by President Marsh & then adjourned untill 10 oclock next morning. Met Sept 4th Opened by Singing & Prayer & a discoors deliverd by President D. W. Patten from these words repent & believe the gospel Mark 1st 15 after which 5 Presented themselves for Baptism the Congregations repaired to the water Whare the ordinance of Baptism was administered unto five persons by President Patten then the People returned to the house & a sermon was deliverd by President Marsh on the gifts & graces of the Church after Which the Lords supper was administered & those that were baptized were Confirmed by the laying on of hands of Counsellor Groves & this interesting Conference Closed by Singing & Prayer

Johnston F Lane Clerk: Thomas B. Marsh President

Elders Grooves & Boydston heald by the laying on of hands

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As Elder W. Woodruff is about to leave for Kirtlan and has been labouring for the last year & a half with the Churches included in the Tennessee Conference & stands in need of clothing & money to retur to Kirtland Presidents Patten & Marsh called a Contribution of the Church & Congregation in th time of the aforementioned Conference to supply Elder Woodruffs necessities the list of the Contribution taken down is as follows Brothers Henry Thomas $5.00. five dollars Benjamin Clapp $6.00 Simeon Hendricks $10.00 Jefferson Turnbow $2.00 In the Store Elijah Glasgo 50cts David Crider 50cts John Tomas $1.00. William Christmas 25cts Randolph Alexander $5.00. James McCartney $2 in the Store Isaiah Benton 50 cts Henry Loy $2.00 in the Store Jourden Hendricks 50cts Henry Thomas Sen $1.00 Jesse Turpin $5.00. John Camp $5.00 Daniel S Thomas $5.00 James Allen $5.00 in the Store. Lewis Clapp $6.00 Lewis Allen $5.00 Linzy Braidy $6.00. Rachael Turnbow 25cts Oliver Drown 75 cts Alfred Loy $2.00 in the Store

Makins Cash $63 35
In the Store $13.00
Total $76.35

The above list of Contributions is recorded in the Tennessee Confererence records J.F. Lane Clerk

Sept 5th Took the parting hand with the Presidents & Elders & many Beloved Brethren & Sisters about fifty in number with whom I have sat in Conferen for the last three days which time was spent in a Cause of the greatest interest Wrote a Letter to Br Samuel West & then rode to Waidsborough with Br Thomas & purchased a coat Pattern then returned to Br Thomas's distance of the day 14 miles

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A true Copy of a Bill from President Thomas B Marsh
And Counsellor Elisha H Groves

Receieved Sept 5th A D 1836 of Willford Woodruff fifty Dollars for the purpose of entering land Within the State of Missouri
Thomas. B. Marsh
Elisha H Groves

Sept 6th Spent the Day at Brother Thomas.es in Writing in the evening I rode in Company with Elder Benjamin Clapp on the road to Paducah to visit sister Benton & cite her to trial to answer to a charge prefered against her by Elder J. F. Lane for unchristian Conduct rode to Parson Baitys [illegible] a Preacher of the Christian order he receieved us in warm friendship as deciples of Christ. Elder Clapp & myself retired aside from the abodes of men & prayed unto God to Bless Parson Beaty & his houshold & we Covenanted together not to leave his house untill he would become a Latter Day Saint We returned to the house Preached the gospel to him & he receieved it with gladness distance of the day 14 miles

7th Arose in the morning & Baptized Parson Beaty went our way left him rejoicing rode to Br Bentons in Paducah Elder Clapp made me a present of a fine Penknife distance 22 miles

8th Rode in Company with Elder Clapp. Br & Sister Benton from Paducah to Br Beatys Preached at his house at night [illegible] — distance 22 miles

9th Left Br Beatys on foot & we travled in the rain to Br Henry Thomas.es on Damonds Creek Dined with Br Thomas from thence we travled to Br John Camps on Taropen arived at his house at dark after

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Sept. travling in Company with Elder Clapp on foot through a rainy day & wadeing through Creeks & Swamps Br & Sister Benton accompanied us on horsback but we all arived weary & wet distance \ [4, 25 miles

10 Arose in the morning somwhat ill in consequence of the hard tower we endured the day previous rode to Elder J. F Lane to attend the counsel of Elders to take into consideration the case of Sister Bentons the following is the proceedings of the Court

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11th Sept. Sunday rode to Br Camps Preached at his house & communed with the Saints Spent the night at Clapps 4m

12. walked to Br Lanes & spent the day in writing 4

13 spent the day at Br Lanes in writing

14th Spent the day at Br Lanes in writings felt some unwell [illegible] in the evening walked to Brother Camps was quite lame at night [illegible] 5 miles

15th Spent the day at Br Camps

16th Spent the day at Br Drowns

17th Returned to Br Camps on Saturday & soon I had the happy Privilege of another inteview with Presidents Marsh, Patten & Grooves & Sister Patten who came to Br Camps in a two horse waggon & bound for Zion Missouri We all tarried at Camps

18th Sunday we all met at Br Henry Loys for a meeting & we had a happy time. Presidents Marsh & Patten Preached & Excertations from Elders Grooves. Boydston. Smoot. Cathcart. Clapp & I requested the Elders to lay hands upon me for sickness & lameness which they did do & I was healed of both Spent the night at Brother Camps with the Brethren

19th is a day long to Be remembered by me & others in Consequence of the interesting scenes transpiring with the Saints of God in the South Isaiah & others of the Ancient Prophets testify to us of the great events of the last days esspecially of the literal gathering of Israel They say the Saints shall gather from the East & from the West & that that the North shall give up & the South Keep not back This interesting day had now arived yea the 19th of Sept 1836 When some of the Saints of God in the South began to take their families, their Charriots & Waggons

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their Oxen their Horses their Tents their armour and moove towards Zion as the Children of Israel according to the Command of God As follows Arose in the morning at Br Camps & breakfasted at his house after which we repaired to the bank of a stream whare Prayers were offer'd up unto God When President Marsh led a young man into the waters of Baptism & he was Confirmed upon the bank of the Stream under the hands of Presidents Marsh Patten & Grooves then we all stood upon our feet & receieved great Blessings Confirmed upon our heads with uplifted hands of the three above named Brethrn President Marsh being speaker We then all took the parting hand with these Beloved Servents of God & with Sister Patten also these four friends took their seat in a waggon & set their faces as a flint towards Zion, not waiting for those that on the same day ware to follow their example but with Ox teams. Soon after the above named brethren left us Br Albert Petty came to us from Cypros branch with his waggon & family to join those of the Tarepen Branch who ware going to Zion After spending a short time in aranging the waggens & teems the Company were prepared to move forward the Company Consisted of four families with three Elders as follows Lewis Clapp & his family. John Camp & his family. Albert Petty & his family & Elder Benjamin Clapp & his family. Also Elders Boydstun & Cathcart This company chose Elder Benjamin Boydstun as their leader on the road to Zion this company of the South were principly the first fruits of my ministry Some were Baptized by Elder Parrish They numbered six male members & five female & 10 children & one servant making 22 in all. This company of faithful Saints after taking the parting hand with their friends on Taropen moved forward on their journey in good Spirits & with joy

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[illegible]

I rode with them this first days travel as far as the South fork of Mayfield whare we all camped for the night After pitching our tents & taking supper I assembled this small Camp of Israel together at Br Albert Pettys tent to address them for the last time & after they were assembled I arose to address them & although the rain desended in torrents so that we were wet through a good tent yet my soul was vibrated & fired with emotions & feeling of no ordinary nature I endeavord to lay before them the worth & value of the Cause they were ingaged in & that they were the first in fullfiling the Prophets who spake of the South keeping not back & that it would be recorded upon the Archives of heaven to be read in the day of eternity that they were the first fruits of the South who had spread their tents for Zion I also instructed them about travling by the way they all Covenanted to give heed to Elder Boydstons Precepts as they had chosen him as their leader when I closed I was followed By Elders Boydston Cathcart & Clapp who spake in the spirit of God & with feeling of the deepest interest When this edifying interview closed by our kneeling & I addressed a throne of grace & implored the mercy of God to rest upon the Camp that they might all reach Zion in Peace distance of the day 4 miles

Sept 20th Arose & found all well in the camp notwithstanding the severity of the weather through the night I Breakfased at Br Pettys tent & then took the last parting hand with those Beloved Saints untill I meet them in Zion or els whare (May the blessings of God attend them forever) I then rose to Mr Calverts on the bank or ford of Brush Creek Graves County KY. & spent the night Distance 20 miles

21st
Spent the day in visiting the neighbourhood & the night at Mr Johnstons distance ______ 6 miles

September 22nd 1836

Sept 22 Preached at Mr Fraziers at the ford of brush Creek got one subscriber for M&Ad Was some opposed by a Pryspeterian Priest & wrote a letter for sister Bishop

23 Rode to Feliciana from thence took the Dresden road & with difficulty crossed the Obine Swamp & Creek my horse freqeuently wallowing in the Cypros Sloes nearly under Water & mud from thence I rode to Br. Jereh Murphys Weakly County Tenn whare I found the Saints Well & rejoiced to find his hous hold well & all the saints distance of the day 30 miles

24 Rode to Elder R Alexanders distance 5 miles

25 Preached on Sunday at Br Alexanders & Baptized two persons & then Communed with the saints had an interesting time because of the Spirit of God upon us after meeting we took the parting hand with Br Jeremiah B Murphy & his Wife Who Started on a Journey to visit friends in the South

26 Spent the Day at Elders Alexanders in Writing Wrote two Letters one to Abel B. Willson & the other to President O. Cowdery at Kirtland I discontinued the M&Ad that was sent to 25. Persons in the South Country I also sent one subscriber

27 Was Joined by Elder Smoot we rode to Br Immanuel Murphy.s Preached at his house rode 15 miles

28 Rode to Elder Alexanders spent the day at his house 6 miles

29 Elder Smoot returned to Bloody I rode to William Glassow.s Preached at his house distance [illegible] 5 miles

30 Rode to Br Immanuel Murphys [illegible] 2 miles

Oct 1st Rode to Br Alexander [illegible] 6 miles

2 Preached on Sunday at Mr Simpsons Alexanders

3 Spent the day at Elder Alexanders

4 Rode 2 miles & returned 2 miles

5 Spent the day riding in the barrens after cattle for Alexander 12

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Oct 6th Spent the day at Elder Alexanders 2 miles
7th Rode in Company with Elder Alexander & Warren Smith & their families to Paris & Perhaps the last time that I shall visit the place from thence to Mr Jonathan Alexanders Preached at his house at Candle light distance 30 m
8th Rode [illegible] to Br Taylors distance 8 miles
9th Sunday Preached at Sister Fraziers Was followed by Elder Smoot then rode to Johnathan Alexanders Preached at his house at Candle light distance 18 m
10th Baptized two Persons Warren Smith & his wife then took the parting hand With Elder Alexander & wife & other Saints & friends Sister Margaret Atkinson with the rest & then Rode to visit the Sulpher Well Academy branch & Preached a funeral Sermon in the evening at Widow Fraziers was followed by Brs Smoot & Turpin much of the spirit of God rested upon us distance 10 miles
11th Baptized two Persons took the parting hand with the Saints & rode to Br Taylors on Bloody Preached for the last time With this branch of Beloved Saints & was followed by Elder Smoot & Priests Benton & Turpin much of the spirit of God rested upon us & we had an interesting meeting & Commoned together May God protect & save the Saints Rode to Br Smiths distance of the day 11 miles

12th Retired in company with Elder A. O. Smoot unto the Banks of Blood River aside from the abodes of men to spend some time in Prayer & Praise to God & to Perform a solemn duty that is required of all the Elders of Israel whose testimony is rejected by this generation while they are preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ & bearing testimony of his NAME After we had cleansed our Bodies with Pure

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water & also with strong drink or spirits this not by Commandment but from Choice we then according to Commandment clensed our hands and feet and bore testimony unto God against the Benton County mob & also against Paris & many others who had rejected our testimony we enjoyed a solemn. spiritual & interesting season we retired from the water in the spirit of God & spent the night for the last time at Brother Levi Taylor & Sister Tailors with the Brethren & sisters Beneath this roof I have spent some of the most interesting seasons of my life for the last two years receieved 4 subscribers for the M & A

Oct 13th Took the parting hand with Brother & Sister Taylor & their household & all the Saints in Bloods branch & traveled in company with Elder Smoot & Priest Turpin to Brother Lanes this is the first days journey for Kirtland Ohio distance 18

14 Traveled to Br Hendricks spent the night with Brother Alfred Loy distance 3 miles

15 Preached at Br Kelleys 3 miles

16 Sunday Preached at Father Greenwoods & Baptized one Mrs Mary Kelly then traveled to Brother Henry Loys Preached at his house distance 6 miles

17 Traveled to Damonds Creek Calaway County KY. Spent the night at Br Henry Thomases 12 mi

18 Spent the day in writing & Preached at Father Thomases to the Saints for the last time in that place had a Spiritual & happy meeting [illegible]
[illegible]

19 Traveled with my Colleagues Smoot & Turpin through the rain to Br Beatys Clarks River Calaway County KY. found him & his family well distance 15 miles

20 Spent the day at Br Beatys in Writing or Copying Journal

21 Preached at Br Beatys

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Oct Preached at Br Beatys & Baptised 1. Mrs Beaty.
23rd Sunday Preached at Beatys & Baptised 1 his Daughter
Also Ordained Brother James Beaty to the Office
of a Priest he had Bean a Preacher of the Christian
order for several years. Communed with the Saints
had a spiritual time & it was the last meeting that
I held in the South within the limits of the Tennessee
Conference of Latter Day Saints
24th Took the parting hand with Priest Beaty &
his family & traveled with Elder Smoot & Priest
Turpin to Paducah McCracken County KY Spent
the night at Brother Bentons distans of the day 25 miles
25th for the first time in life I went aboard a Steam
Boat to Journey I took a birth with my Colleagues
aboard the AID at 8 oclock AM names of the Islands
we passed through the day are as follows Tennessee
Cumberland. Three Sisters & the Golconda island
Towns past Smithland distance of the day 100 miles
26th the Tempest past the Aid at 7. A.M. while
she was wooding we past the following Islands
Cincinnati the head. Wabash. Dimonds. Towns
Shawney. Mount vernon & Evensville Remained
at Evensville over night about 20 above the mouth
of the Wabash River which we past I purchased
a Cloak of William Smith one of the deck hands on
board the Aid I paid him $5.00 dollars for the
same Paid on board the Aid $2.00 for passage 4-100 m
27th Left the Aid at 7. A.M. & went aboard
the HAVANA. We past Sprinkelsborg. Owensborough
Troy. Hayville. Clover Rome & Cast Anchor about
12 oclock at night in consequence of the fog Distance 100 miles
28th Raised the Steam at Day light but soon run aground
but liberated without Damage the fog Cleared at 8 oclock
we soon past a steam boat that had sunk she
Struck a snag stove her hull & went Down. We
past many Boat[illegible]rough the day the Havana
break her wheel against a flat Bottom Boat Passed
New Albany at 2 P.M. entered the Canal at the

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Ohio falls passed through three locks arived at
Louisville at 6. P.M Paid $2.50 cts passage aboard
the Havana, KETON Capt The Havana run
about 10 miles per hour distance of the day 100 m
their was 12 Steamers at anchor at Loisville
Priest Turpin went aboard a boat for Cincinnati
& Elder Smoot & myself left Loisville to visit
his kinsman in Owington that he had not visited
since he was five years of age we took the Frankford turnpike rode walked 4 miles and put
up at a tavern for the night distance 4 miles

29 Walked to Middletown from thence to Boston to
Simpsonsville & Shelbyville spent the night in
Shelbyville at Mr Staples inn distance 30 miles

30 Sunday Walked from Shelbyville to Mr Clemmings
ferry on the Kentucky river 25 miles below Frankford
crossed at the ferry to Mr William Rowletts spent
the night at his house he is an uncle of Elder Smoots
distance of the day 30 miles

31st Walked to Widow Elizabeth Smoots Elder Smoo
Sister in law it was an affecting meeting between
them as it was the first time they ever met from
thence to Col Joseph Rowletts another kinn
of Elder Smoots it was a happy meeting &
we me a welcome reception distance 4 m

Nov 1st Speint the Day in writing at Col Rowletts

2 Spent 3 days at Col Rowletts in Copying my
Journal i.e. 2 3 & 4th I had a number of interviews
within the time with Mr William Clements A
Revolutionary Soldier Aged 83 years

5 Spent the day at Col Rowletts in perusing
a Book bearing the title PRINCIPLES OF
NATURE BY ELIHU PALMER Esq
third edition. On Deism see Page 100
I Preached at Col Rowletts at Candle light

Nov 6th 1836

Nov 6th Sunday Rode to William Smoots Preached at
his house distance of the Day 7 miles
7th Sold one Book of Mormon & Rode to Owenton
Owen County KY on the day of the election to
vote for President &c at first the Judges endeav
-ored to deprive Elder Smoot & myself from
voting but after employing some Judges &
Col Rowlea in our favor we gave our vote for
Mr Martin Vanburen for President & Col
R.M. Johnson for Vice President we then
returned to Mr Reed Smoot 16 m
8th walked to Col Rowletts spent the day over 2
9th walked to Mr Gustavus. A. Clements &
Preached at his house distance 5 miles
10th Rode to Mr Jacob Rasors Preached at
his house distance 6 miles
11th Rode to Col. Rowletts & Preached at his house 3
12th Spent the day at Col Rowletts
13th Preached at Col Rowletts on Sunday &
Procured 2 subscribers for M & Ad
14th Rode to Owington & Preached in the court
house at night to a large Congregation Spent
the night at the inn of William Browns 6 mile
15th Took the Parting hand with Col Rowlett &
walked to Esq Hues 5 miles South of the big
bone lick distance 25 miles
16th Visited the big bone lick in Boone County
KY which is the Place whare those large
bones of enormous size were dug from the
earth & have been exhibited in many Parts of
America & Europe it is conjectured that
those animals while in the lick got mired &
Perished it is said or judged from the measurement
of those bones that the animal was 36 feet
in length & 15 in highth No reccord yet gives
us an account of those animals will not
some record of the Nephites yet tell us
Spent the night with Mr Sandford 25 miles

Nov 17th 1836

Nov 17th Went to Covington Crossed the Ohio River into Cincinnati visited the City & saw Conway & webster who informed me that Brother Asahel H Woodruff had located himself in Terrehautte Indiania & traiding in Books in Company with Robert Smith. I Also saw the Dead & wounded Carried from off the Steem Boat FLORA. 3. dead & 10. scalded by the bursting of her Pipes spent the night at Cincinnati on board the Robert Emmet distance of the day 6 miles

18th Left Cincinnati on board the Robert Emmet & traveled during the day & night to Portsmouth 118.m

19 in the morning I saw a large Buck swiming down the River threemen Left the Emmet in a yawl & persued the deer they soon overtook him grappled him by the horns, nocked him on the head with their oars then cut his throat & brought him on board the steem boat & cut off his head & stuck it upon the liberty Pole with his horns spread for a guide to the Pilot. The Steem Boat travled during this day & night to Parkersburg 162 miles Paid Passage on Board the Emmet $3.50 ct

20 Sunday Proceded up the River Past Hommily & stop at Wheeling in Virginia It was the first time that I ever was in the state from thence to Wellsville distance of the day 137 miles

21 in the morning I had a happy interview with Priest Turpin in Wellsville spent the Day at Elder Samuel Burwells Columbiania County Ohio

22 Spent the day at Elder Burw[illegible] in Wellsville in the evening Elder Burwell returned home ~ 9¼ miles

23 We took the Stage at Wellsville Paid $4.00 dollars fare to Chardon we travled to Nutons falls & spent the night at the Stage office 4 47 miles

24 Traveled to Chardon & Providentially met with Elder Henry Sherwood on his way to Tenne We had a happy interview with him I wrote a Letter to the Saints 4 33 miles

Nov 25 1836

Nov 25th Took the parting hand with Elder Sherwood I then set out in company with Elder Smoot on foot in a hard snow storm for Kirtland we came in sight of the Temple of the Lord before we reached the village & I truly felt to rejoice at the sight as it was the first time that mine eyes ever beheld the house of the Lord built by commandment & Revelation. We soon entered the village & I spent one of the happiest days of my life at this time in visiting Kirtland & the House of the Lord & the Presidents & Elders of the Church I was truly edified to again strike hands with President Joseph Smith Jr. & many other beloved saints of God who are rolling on the mighty work of God & of Israel after being seperated from them for 2½ years & among the rest I was filled with joy with the priviledg of again meeting with Elder Warren Parrish & also being made acquainted with his companion Sister Parrish. Ther is an enjoyment in meeting our brethren & companions in tribulation that the world knows not off because it flows from a Celestial Source. After spending a short time in conversing with my friends A more important scene was now to open to my view than kings ever saw or Princes ever knew in this generation which was to visit the Temple of the Lord & its contents Elder Smoot & myself visited each appartment of the house accompanied by Elder Parrish & I must confess the scenery is indisscribable When I entered the threshhold of the house & passed into the lower room their was great solemnity if not awe immediately overwhelmed me I felt indeed as if my footsteps were in the Temple of the Lord After walking into the Pulpets, erected for the Priesthoods & viewing the curtains all bespeaking that grandure, solemnity & order that nothing short of wisdom from God could invent. We then visited the upper rooms & there viewed four Egyptian Mumies & also the Book of Abram written by his own hand & not ownly the hieroglyphicks but also many figures ~~of the~~ that this precious treasure Contains are calculated to make a lasting impression upon the mind which is not to be erased many other important views I was Privileged with in the upper story the school rooms. belfry &c. all indicating great Architecture & wisdom we then spent some time in visiting the Bank & Printing office But wonder on wonder strikes my sense to look into the Casket of the great work of Israels God in these last Days as the Prophet exclaims he does things we looked not for. Two & a half years since I left Kirtland with my Brethren in their Poverty to go fourth to visit our brethren in tribulation in Zion then our Brethren in Kirtland were poor. despised. & even looked upon By the pomp of Babylon with Disdain & disgrace who stood waiting with eager eyes to behold them sink into forgetfulness. But how changed the scene now I behold a cheerfulness beaming upon every countenance that indicates Prosperity & the nois of the ax & the hammer & the sight of their walls & dwellings newly erected & their Bank & market & esspecially house of God speaks in language loud as thunder that the saints will have a City in Prosperity in spite of all the fals Prophets of Baal or even earth or hell because God is with them & his Temple stands in honor of his Kingdom while Babylon begins to wonder & will soon perish we spent the day with Elder Parrish & ymk

The money I expended i expended in my travels from Paducah Ky to Kirtland Ohio fees aboard Steam Boats & stagees. board lodgings &c was $16.65 Also I Paid $5.00 for a cloak making $21.65 in all

26th November 26th 1836

NOV I visited President & Doct Cowdery at the Printing office & made a general settlement with them for the M&A Advocate for the Subscribers of the South I gave 9 new Subscribers to them & Paid them $41.50 for the M&A Advocate which Setteled all matters between us.   I receieved som Counsel from Presidents Smith & Rigdon to Elder Parrishes house & spent the day in writing

27th

Nov 27th Upon this Lords day Elder Smoot & myself accompanied Elder Parrish to the house of the Lord for the first time to behold the Congregation of the Saints assembled within its walls for the Purpose of worshiping God it was truly an interesting scene it brought a lengthy Catalogue of transactions Contemplations & experience of my youth to my to my mind & the experiance of this day fulfilled many things of a spiritual nature which I had looked for a number of years which I viewed as Promises of God. After I entered the house & was seated I cast my eyes upon the Pulpits aranged in order for the High Priest I beheld the Patriarch Joseph Smith sen. Standing in the upper Pulpet. & President Joseph Smith jr. & Elder Carter in the second one & in the third Elders Parley & Orson Pratt & W. Parrish was seated soon Elder Carter arose & opened meeting by Prayer & then Preached the gospel unto us & was followed by President Joseph Smith Jr when meeting was dissmissed & after an intermishoon of an hour we again met in the house of the Lord & I was called into the stand in Company with Elder Smoot & requested ~~me~~ to Preach to the People I opened by Prayer & read the LVI Chapter of Isaiah & made some brief remarks upon the same & gave a skeech of my travels in the South. I was then followed by Elder Smoot after he closed I was blessed with the privilege of communing with a multitude of Saints

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in the house of the Lord assembled together from the the east. west. north & South many with whom I had been intimately acquainted I truly felt to thank God that his Promises had been verifyed unto me by giving me a seat & a name within his house & within his walls -&- as of Sons & of daughters Their was four Confirmed after the Sacrament under the hands of Elder O Hide President J. Smith addressed the Congragation & the meeting Closed Spent the night with Elder W. Parrish

Nov 28th Spent the day in Kirtland visiting friends & the night with Elder W. Parrish

29 Spent the day in writing wrote two Letters one to my Parents & the other to Brother Asahel. Woodruff

30 I Setteled with Elder Reynolds Cahoon for the subscripcions put into my hands by the Saints of the South Country for the building of the house of the Lord in Kirtland Ohio I Paid him one dollar which was all the back money that was due this made $91.75 cts that I had the Charge of that I forwarded for the house. I also Purchase a Latten grammer of Elder P. Pratt for [illegible] I am now expecting to enter upon a Course of Study may the Lord open my way in temporal & Spiritual things that I may be usful in my day & generation have a good warfare keep the faith & recieve a Crown of Glory

Dec 1st Repaired to the house of the Lord whare Father Smith met a number of Saints to Pronounce upon them a Patriarchal Blessing This was the first meeting of the kind that I ever attended & I found it to be highly edefying & interesting as their was great & glorious things pronounced upon their heads by the spirit of Prophesy & Revelation spent the evening at Elder Parrishes acompanied by Brother Joseph Smith which was an interesting interview

Dec 2nd 1836

Dec 2nd i Wrote a Letter to Br Azmon Woodruff it being the first Communication between us for two years i also Wrote a Letter to Col Joseph Rowlett at Owington Owen County KY.

3rd Traded with Brother Bump in Goods $12.89

4th Sunday I went up to the house of the Lord to worship Elder Parish Preached in the forepart of the day Several spoke in the Latter Part of the day President RIGDON called a vote of the Church to discountenance the use intirely of all liquors from the Church in Sickness & in health except wine at the Sacraments & for external Washing the vote was Carried unanimously I spent the night with Elder Parrish

5th This monday morning in Company with Elder Smoot I entered the School & Commenced Studying the Latten Grammer under the instruction of Professer Haws I commenced boarding also this morning with Brother Bond at $2. dollars per week I Paid him $10. dollars in advance

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6. 7. 8. 9. 10 I spent in School in the evening of the 10 I wrote two Letters one to Elder Alexander & the other to Sister M Atkinson both in Tenn

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11th Sunday morning after an interview with Priest Turpin I went up to the house of God to worship & O what a meeting May it be printed upon my heart as a memorial forever For on this day the God of Israel Sharply reproved this Stake of Zion (Kirtland) through the Prophets & Apostles for all our sins & backslidings & also a timely warning that we may escape the Judgments of God that otherwise will fall upon us even the case of the travels of the Camp of the Saints from Kirtland to Zion in 1834

Dec 18th 1836

Was Presented to us for an example [illegible]
[illegible]
Spent the Past week in School in the Lords house
18 Sunday I went up to the house of the Lord to worship
Sermon delivered by Elder William Smith Elder Joseph
Young administered the Sacrament President Joseph
Smith jr Solemnized the rights of matrimony. At
candlelight I Preached at Mr Daytons & was followed
by Elder Smoot & Nobles
19 20 was spent in School I Commenced studying the GREEK
GRAMMER on Monday the 19th Dec 1836
20 At Candle light I repaired to the house of the Lord
for a meeting with the qourum of the Seventies
the third Seventys had been chosen & the business
of this meeting was to organize them & ordain them
but as they were not all present they were not all
ordained or organized their was 27 twenty Seven
of the third Seventy ordained to the High Priesthood
& as members of the third Seventy Elder Abram
O. Smoot. was among the number ordained to the
third Seventy which fulfilled what I Pronounced
upon his head by the testimony of JESUS on the
30th of June while in Tenn See June 30th 1836
The above mentioned were ordained under the hands of
Presidents Aldrich Young & Coltrin. We had an inter
-esting meeting much of the spirit of Prophecy was poured
out upon those Presidents while ordaining the third Seventy
they Proclaimed great & marvelous things upon
their heads President Young had visions while
Performing this ordinance

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22 I attended Prayer meeting in the house of the Lord at night
24 Spent the Past week in School
25 Sunday went up to the house of God to worship
& herd a discours from Brother Samuel Smith Brother
Hiram Smith broak bread which closed the meeting
Elder Smoot was quite sick & healed by the layings on
of hands

Dec 27th 1836

Dec 27th Met at the house of the Lord at Candle light with the quorum of the Seventies their was about one hundred Elders of Israel Presant of 1. 2. & 3rd Seventy it is expected the Seventies will meet every tuesday evening through the winter for the Purpose of worshiping God & sanctifying themselves before him. Elder Smoot was again taken sick 28. 29. 30 & 31st was Principly Spent in taking Care of Elder Smoot who was confined to his bed with the Scarlot fever at the house of Brother Bonds in Kirtland On the 31st of DEC being the last Day of 1836 I aranged the account of my Journals & recorded the same in the following manner. Thus ends the year of 1836 which hath quickly passed with its report into ETERNITY

1st I Travled Six thousand five hundred & fifty seven miles 6,557

2nd I. Held one hundred & fifty three Meetings 153
I Attended four Conferences 4
& Held four debates 4
~~I Planted one Branch of the Church~~

3rd I Baptized twenty Seven Persons 27
~~I Confirmed~~ ~~27~~

4th I Ordained two Elders. three Priests. one Teacher.
& two Deacons. &
~~I established 2 preaching places~~

5th I Attended to the ordinance of blessing nineteen Children. 19

6th Their was four Persons healed of deseases under my hands 4

7th I Procured twenty two subscribers for the M&A. 22
I also Procured Seventy Dollars for the M&A $ 70.

8th I Gave six dollars & Procured eighty five more for the building of the house of the Lord in Kirtland $.91

9th I wrote thirty four Letters 34
& Receieved Seven Letters 7

10th I had three mobs Come together against me But always as yet delivered from their hands. 3.

The before mentioned is an account of the most Conspicuous
Part of my Procedings during the year of 1836 which has
gone into eternity with its report as the year before it
hath done & as the one following & all others must do.
O time how swift & how precious thou art. How great
the events that are born upon thy wings, esspecially
in the dispensation of the fullness of times. 1836. is
gone it cannot be recalled. Europe hath began to tremble
at thy departure. The endowment of the Latter Day
Saints hath bespake a God in Israel, & is sufficient
to show that though the heavens & earth pass away
the word of God spake through the Prophets must
all be fulfilled. It is true that the thoughts of man
may now retrace his footsteps through 1836 that is
Past. But who can tell whare the end of 1837 will
leave him. Yea that important year that is
mounting the wheels of time to stand upon the
stage of exhistance, to do its Perfect work. Will
not its gigantic operations & its magnus works
stand upon the Archieves of heaven as great events
Will this gentile generation still sleep in this late
hour, if so sleep on & take thy rest which is short
for thy end is come, & the day hath broke that
Israel must be awoke from his slumber for the last
time & Prepare himself for the Bridegroom. Then let
1837 finish its work with speed & let its departure
say who hath gone to the tomb & what Kingdom
overturned. & what Kingdom esstablished & may
God grant that 1837 may report as she departs
that Zion & her stakes indicates that God rules
in her midst with POWER STRENGTH & GLORY

Thus ends the year of

18.36

The third Book of Willford for 1837

O Lord I ask thee in the name of Jesus Christ thy Son, to look upon thy Servant Willford, Who now occupies a place in Kirtland, this first stake of Zion, which thou hast appointed in this last Dispensation, & fulness of times for the gathering of thy Saints. O God of Israel, inspire the heart & Pen of thy Servant at this time, & hear & answer the Petition which he will put up unto thee at this time, & remember the Covenant which thy Servant Willford will make with thee at this time, O mighty God of Jacob. O Lord thou hast spared my life, to behold the Commencem of 1837. May my life, health, & strength be precious in thy Sight, through the year. Wilt thou save me by thy grace from all sin & the Powers of temptation, which try the souls of men. Wilt thou give me favor during this year, with God & the Saints. Wilt thou bless me while in School, & in meeting with the quorum of the Seventies, & while attending all other meetings in Kirtland for Divine worship. O Lord if it be thy will, give me the privilege of recording in this years Journal great blessings, Pronounced upon my head from mine annointing & from under the hands of the Patriarch JOSEPH. & an account of Great visions, & the opening of the heavens, & the revelation of JESUS CHRIST unto me that I may be a Special witness Of Thee. O Lord. & may I also have the administering of Holy angels, that I may be taught of the Eternal things of the Priesthood. If I am Called to Preach thy word this year, may I be bless with souls for my hire. if I visit my Kinsman, wilt thou make me an instrument, of bringing them into thy Celestial Kingdom. & I Covenant with Thee, Heavenly FATHER, to go & come at thy bidding. I ask the above blessings, through the Priesthood, in the name of JESUS CHRIST AMEN.

Jan 1st 1837

Jan^y 1st 1837. In the morning of this Lords Day I repaird to the house of the Lord for worship We herd two discourses deliverd from the Aaronic Stand by Bishop Whitney & Counsellor Cahoon they also Broke bread. the latter part of the day was spent in attending to the funeral servises of a child.

2nd Spent the Day in school Also the 3rd. I receiv a letter from Brother Asahel Woodruff on the 3d

Jan 3rd At early Candle light I repaired to the house of the Lord in company with Elder Milton Holmes for the purpose of meeting with the quorum of the Seventies President Aldrich opened the meeting by prayer & after a few appropriate remarks from President Coltrin about twenty of the third Seventy was ordained to the high Priesthood & as members of the third Seventy under the hands of the above named Presidents After these were ordained Elder M. Holms & myself was called upon by the Presidents to come forward to be ordained as members of the first Seventy Elders of Israel to bear the name of Jesus to the nations of the Earth. The first Seventy was chosen out of the CAMP that went up to Zion for the redemption of it & the Saints in the Spring of 1834 But as we were not present when the first Seventy was chosen we was afterwards chosen in the second quorum (See May 31th 1836 in this Journal) But there being two vacancies in the firs quorum we were chosen to fill them. President Aldrich ordained Elder Holmes to this appointment & pronounced great blessings upon his head. President Z. Coltrin ordained me as a member of the first Seventy & pronounced great blessings upon my head by the Spirit of Prophecy & Revelation some of them I will mention which are as follows. THAT my enemies may confine me in Prisions & chains & that I would rend the prisions & chains in twain in the name of JESUS CHRIST & that the Lord would give me great Power, Knowledg, & wisdom & faith so that I should heal the sick gave the Blind to see the lame to leap as an heart. the Deaf to hear Stop the mouths of Lions & rase the dead to life & waft myself (as did Philip) from River to river from Sea to sea & from Continant to Continant for the Porpose of Preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ & that I should stand before Kings & Princes & that they would send for me to receieve Wisdom Knowledge & instruction at my mouth because they Considered me wiser than themselves in like manner as the Egyptians sought wisdom at the hand of JOSEPH. And that God would give me a multiplicity of Blessings that I should Preach to the nations of the earth & to the inhabitants upon the Islands of the Sea & that I should then return & stand upon Mount Zion in the flesh even in Jackson County Missouri at the Comming of Christ & that I should be caught up to meet him in the Clouds of heaven for he said this was the word of God unto me & Also that I should visit COLUB & Preach to the spirits in Prision & that I should bring all of my friends or relatives forth from the Terrestrial Kingdom (who had died) by the Power of the Gospel These & many other Blessings were Pronounced upon my head. & further said that I should be annointed & my life sealed unto me & that their would be still greater blessing Pronounced upon my head. I felt much of the Power of God rest upon me in this ordinance & Bear witness of the truth of th above

PROCLAMTION

Jan 4th 1837

Jany 4th I met in Company with the high School of Kirtland in the house of the Lord for the purpose of a public examination it being the last day of the first quarter the examination lasted about three hours then after an intermission of one hour we again repaired to the house & herd an interesting lecture deliverd on Education By Professer Haws We have now a vacation of four weeks & the next term will them commence

5th I repaired to the house of the Lord for a Prayer meeting at 2 oclock P.M. We had a good time one man gave us an account of the general gathering of Israel in the gift of tongues I interpreted the Substance of the same

6th I visited the office of the Kirtland Safety Society & saw the first money that was issued by the Treaserer or Society it was given to Brother Bump (in exchange for other notes) who was the first to Circulate it I also herd President Joseph Smith jr declare in the presence of F Williams. D Whitmer. S. Smith. W. Parrish. & others in the Deposit Office that he had receieved that morning the Word of the Lord upon the Subject of the Kirtland Safety Society he was alone in a room by himself & he had not ownly the voice of the Spirit upon the Subject but even an audable voice He did not tell us at that time what the LORD said upon the Subject but remarked that if we would give heed to the Commandments the Lord had given this morning all would be well. May the Lord bless Brother Joseph with all the Saints & support the above named institution & protect it so that every weapen formed against it may be broaken & come to nought while the Kirtland Safety Society shall become the greatest of all institutions on EARTH

Jan 8th 1837

Jan 6. Wrote a Letter to Brother Asahel. H Woodruff

8. Sunday Went up to the house of the Lord to worship we had an interesting meeting their was about fifteen hundred people assembled their was two discourses delivered from the Aaronic Priesthood one from Councellor Knight & the other from Priest Willy Priest Willey had much of the Spirit of God in Preaching to the Church after Breaking bread Elder Sherman Sen in the gift of tongues & proclaimed great & marvelous things while clothed upon by the power & spirit of God Elder Smoot for the first time after his sickness Also attended meeting I spent the evening with Priest Turpin at Bishop Whitneys had a vary happy time in speaking Singing hearing & interpeting tongues & in prayer with the family

10 Tuesday evening I met in the house of the Lord with the quorum of the Seventies their was about 12 ordained of the third Seventy under the hands of Elder Shermon we had a spiritual meeting Elder Brigham Young one of the twelve gave us an interesting exhortation & warned us not to murmer against Moses (or) Joseph or the heads of the Chur[illegible]

11 Wrote two Letters one to A B Willson & [illegible] other to Brother Levi Tailor

12 Wrote two Letters one to Brother Daniel Thomas the other to Simeon Hendricks

14 Wrote two Letters one to Wright Aikeman in the Arkansas & the other to David Granshaw

15 Sunday attended meeting in the house of the Lord President Rigdon preached in the Spirit & exhorted the Church to union that they might be prepared to meet every trial & difficulty that awates them

Jan 16th 1837

Jan 16th Elder Abram O Smoot was again attacked by the destroyer which brought him upon a bed of Great disstress We immediately Called upon the Elders of the Church viz. Elders O Hide & ~~E~~ H C Kimble of the twelve & B. Nobles. M. Holmes. & myself of the first Seventy We prayed with & for him & laid hands upon him according to the scriptures & he was immediately healed of his pain & fever usc \ T

17th Met at Candle light with the quorums of the Seventies & was favored with a lecture from President David Whitmer he warned us to humble ourselves before God lest his hand rest upon us in anger for our pride & many sins that we were runing into in our days of prosperity as the ancient Nephites did & it does now appear evident that a scourge awates this stake of Zion even Kirtland if their is not great repentance immediately & almost every Countenance indicates the above expectation esspecially the heads of the Church See Dec 11th 1836 May the Lord in mercy enable us to meet every event with resignation

20th Wrote a Letter with Brother Kimble to Brother Thomas B Marsh in Zion

22nd Sunday went up to the house of the Lord to worship. Elder John E Page occupied the former part of the day with an interesting relation of his travels for the last eight months in the Profince of uper Canida he stated that he in Company with Elders James Blakesley & Harris had Baptized 267 persons he also gave an account of his persecutions &c which he had to endure The latter part of the day was occupied by Elders Kimble & Green & of Communion Also at Candle light I herd an interesting discourse from Elders P.P. Pratt & J. E. Page. at Brother Bosleys Elder Pratt Also warned us to humble ourselves before God & feed the poor & Clothe the needy & put away all our sins lest judgement overtake us spedily

Jan 23d 1837

Jan 23rd As Elder Abram O Smoot hath been much out of health Since he hath been in Kirtland he desired to return home into the South Country to spend the winter in a warm Climate with his friends. I accompanied him to father Smiths to officeate in the office of a Scribe while he receieved his Patriarchal blessing Accordingly the Patriarch JOSEPH SMITH Sen Pronounced his blessing upon his head in the name of the LORD & I wrote it down for him It was truly a great blessing we had it recorded & I gave Elder Smoot a copy of it in Print that he might take it home with him as he was expecting to leave the day following

24th Took the pains to assist Elder Smoot to Settle his business in Kirtland which took up the major part of the day I Met at Candle light in the house of the Lord with the quorum of the Seventies we had an interesting interview their was several ordained under the hands of President Silvester Smith to the third Seventy then we herd two lengthy discourses one from Elder J. C. Page and the other from Elder P. P. Pratt which was interesting in the first degree the meeting closed but little before midnight We had been threatened by a mob from Panesville to visit us that night & demolish our Bank & take our property but they did not appeare but the wrath of our enemies appears to be kindled against us this in part is the Scourge that hath awaited us But may the Lord show us mercy & deliver us from the hand of our enemies for Christs sake

25th Took the Parting hand with Elder A O Smoot & he started on his journey may the Lord bless him & enable him to reach his friends in peace

At early Candlelight the heavens began to show forth the signs in fulfillment of the Prophecy of JOEL recorded in the 2nd Chap 30th vers of the Book of Joel. the Clouds of fire & blood began to arise in the N.E & reached unto the N.W which principly covered the horizon the reflection of the Clouds upon the earth which was covered with snow presented a vary red appearance It commenced at 6 oclock & continued untill 10 or past [illegible]

Jan 27th 1837

Jan 27th Wrote a Letter for Elder M. Holmes

28th I attended a Court with the quorum of the Seventies to settle a difficulty between Elder Hiram Stratten & I. H. Bishop Elder Holmes and myself was chosen among the Counsellors Elder Stratten acknowledged his faults & was restored

29th Sunday I met at Elder J. P. Greens at 9 AM in Company with 7 others to act as bearers to Convey the Corps of Sister Mary Boyington to the house of the Lord whare a funeral Sermon was deliverd by Elder P. P. Pratt the latter part of the day was spent in Communion & addresses from Presidents O. Cowdery & J Smith Jr JOSEPH blessed us in the name of the Lord & Said if we would be faithful we should rise above our imbarressments & be delivered from the hands of our enemies

30 Spent the day in writing wrote a peace for the Messenger & Advocate

31st Met in the house of the Lord at 10 oclock AM & herd an address from Presidents J. Smith Jr & S Rigdon on the temporal business of the Church & Petitioned for a Charter to the Assembly of the State for the Kirtland Safety Society & the presidency of the Church bought the Monroe Charter & we all lent a hand in esstablishing it that it might be benificial to us in forwarding the building of the temporal Kingdom

Feb 1st I again Commenced School Confining myself to the Latin language mostly

5th Sunday Spent the day in the house of the Lord in worship

12th Sunday spent the day in the Lords house Communed with the Saints

Feb. 9th 1837

Feb. 19th I repaired to the house of the Lord & stood in the midst of the Congregation of the Saints, whare I beheld President JOSEPH SMITH Jr arise in the stand & for several hours addressed the Saints in the power of God. Joseph had been absent from Kirtland on business for the Church, though not half as long as Moses was in the mount, & many were stird up in their hearts & some were against him as the Israelites were against Moses but when he arose in the power of God in their midst, as Moses did anciently, they were put to silence for the Complainers saw that he stood in the power of a Prophet, O how weak is man.

26 Sunday President Joseph Smith Jr again addressed the Congregation of the Saints in the power and Spirit of God

March 1st I spent in School. This is my Birth day brining me to. 30. thirty years of age. How fleet is time.

4 Saterday I spent in School during the day I was called to lay hands upon Elder Sherwoods Son that was Sick with the plerisy, He was deaf and dumb, he was healed of his sickness

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4 Thee scenes of life how variant, how trancient,

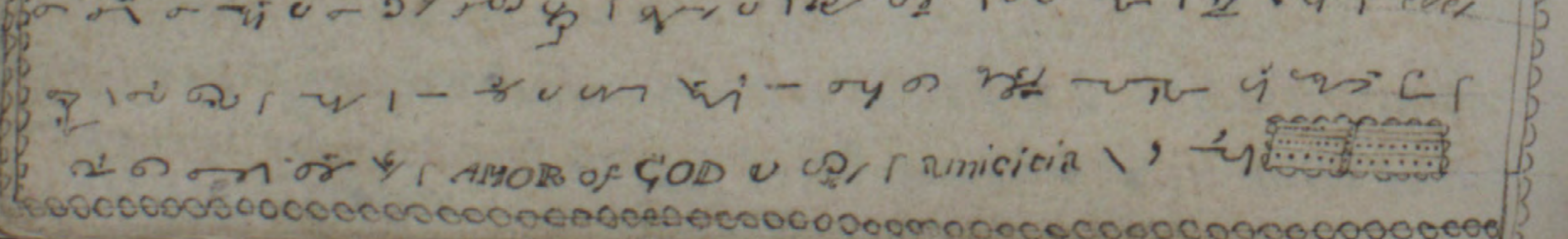
5 Sunday Wrote a Letter to my friends in the east

22 The last seventeen Days have been principly spent in school I have attended some interesting meetings during the time

March 24th I left school under view of spending some time in studying History & preparing for the endowment

March 23d 1837

March 23rd. I repaired to the house of the Lord at an early hour in the morning to spend the day in prayer and fasting, with the Saints in Kirtland, as this was a day set apart for that purpose. Immediately after entering the house in company with several other Elders, I went within the veil and we bowed down before the Lord in the Aronic stand & offered a morning sacrifice, & the Spirit of God rested upon us with joy to our Souls. I was Called upon, by the Patriarch JOSEPH to read a Chapter in the Book of Mormon; I then read the third Chapter of the Book of Jacob, which contains the parable of the tame olive tree likend unto the house of Israel as was spake by the Prophet Zenos. The same God that touched Isaiahs lips with hallowed fire, gave Zenos great wisdom in setting forth this parable. After I had made some brief remarks upon the subject the Congregation took their seats, for the services of the day, in the following order The house being divided into four parts by veils, the females occupied two parts & the males the others, Some of the presidency presided in each appartment The time was taken up during the day in each appartment in singing, exortation, & prayer, some had a tongue, others an interpetation, & all was in order. The power of GOD rested upon the people the gifts were poured out upon us Some had the administering of angels & the image of GOD sat upon the Countenances of the Sants. at 4 oclock PM. the veils were all rolled up together which brough the whole Congregation in full view of each other and while the presence of the LORD filled the house the Congregation of the Saints fell upon their knees & all as one man, vocally poured forth rejoicing. Supplication & Prayer, before the God of Israel which Closed the services of the day, after contributing for the support of the poor



March 26th 1837

March 26th Sunday Communed with the Saints in the fore part of the day In the latter part, Elder. W. Parrish Preached the funeral Sermon of Sister Pratt the wife of Elder P. P. Pratt one of the twelve who died March 25th 1837

March 27th I Signed $50.. fifty Dollars for the building of the house of the Lord in Zion the subscription list was in the hands of Elder Elisha. H. Groves

April 2nd Attended worship in the Lords house upon this Sabbath day. I have spent the time for several days past In peresing the Outlines of ancient and modern HISTORY on a new plan, By Rev Royal Robbins It strikes the reflecting mind with deep sensibility to contemplate the scenery of the rise, progress, decline & fall of the Nations and kingdoms of the earth from the days of ADAM till 1837 years after Christ And it is equally interesting to contemplate the day that is now at hand & hath already began in fulfillment of Ancient prophecy in bringing the church of Christ out of the wilderness in esstablishing Israel upon those lands by a Theocratical government in fulfillment of the covenants God made with Abram Isaac & Jacob. As this hath began in my day & I am called to act a part in the work by being plaaced with the first Seventy Elders of Israel to become a special witness of Jesus Crist to all nations I need much fait fortitude, holiness, & wisdom. May the Lord enable me not to seek honour from man but God & be faithful in clearing my garments of the blood of Gentile & Jew and do honour to the HOLY Priesthood & the Annointing that now awaiteth me

April 3rd 1837

April 3rd The day had now arived for preperations for the solumn assembly the Annointing & the endowmen of the Elders of Israel or at least for those that were not endowed in Kirtland the strong hold of the daughter of Zion in the spring of 1836 & as I was absent at that time my day is now come & my time at hand for those blessings & I shall record the events of each day of the endowment for the benefit of the generation to come. I upon this third day of April met in the house of the Lord with a number of the seventies to receiev counsel respecting our washing & anointing. I was appointed with Elder C. Meeks to visit President F. G. Williams & have the perfumes & oil prepared against the day following I considerd it a privilege to wait upon the Elders of Israel in this thing that we might become the annointed of the Lord according to the words of the Poet & the Revelations of JESUS CHRIST

We'll wash and be washed and with oil be anointed
Withal not omit the washing of feet
For he that receiveth his PENNY appointed
Must surely be clean at the hearvest of whea

After attending to the duties above spoken I repaired to a room in company with Elder Meeks & Priest J Turpin to attend to our first washing after washing our bodies from head to foot in soap & watter we then washed ourselves in clear watter next in perfumed spirits the spirit of God was with us & we had a spiritual time. We spent the evening with several Elders in Prayer before God & the Power of God rested upon us.

April 4th I met at the house of Elder Hales at one oclock P.M. in company with twenty three Elders President Joseph Young making one of the number for the purpose of attending to the ordinance of washing the body with clean watter & perfumes that our bodies might be prepared for the anointing President Young opened the meeting by prayer we then proceded to the ordinance myself & Elder C. W. Meeks were the first washed under

April 4th 1837

the hands of President Joseph Young we then assisted President Young in washing our Brethren the Elders much of the spirit of God rested upon us I washed & perfumed the bodies of a number of my Brethren & the interview Closed ~~After~~ after expressing our feelings to each other. We again met together in the quorum of the Seventies at the upper part of the Lords house at early candle light to receieve our anointing. The quorums of the Deacons, Teachers, & Priest occupied one apartment the Elders another & the Seventies the third. each quorums met for the anointing. Three of the presidency met with the Seventies viz H Aldrich J. Young and Z. Coultrin President Coultrin opened the meeting by prayer & after conversing plainly to those who were to be anointed they proceded to business the presidency consecrated the oil before God that it might be holy The person to be anointed then took a seat & the presidency then laid hands upon his head & consecrated him unto God & then anointed him in the name of the Lord & pronounced such blessings upon his his head as the testimony of Jesus shall direct which is the spirit of prophecy. We had a glorious season indeed in this solemn ordinance of the house of the Lord there were fifteen anointed in our quorum mostly by President Coultrin. the Power of God rested upon us. President Coultrin anointed me & the following are some of the blessing that he pronounced upon my head while clothed upon by the spirit & power of God. viz. that God would bless me with all the powers of the Priesthood & give me a multiplicity of blessing that kings would tremble upon their thrones at my word. that I should become a Counsellor & multitudes should seek Counsel at my mouth & I should have great wisdom

April 14th 1838

& power to fly through the midst under heaven as Philip traveled by the Spirit that I should have power over my enemies & have long life & bring many into the kingdom of God Also that I should have the riches of the earth & that I should have Sons & Consecrate them priests unto God in Zion & that I should tread upon the ashes of my enemies in Jackson County they that had sought to take my life & the life of my brethren that went to redeem Zion & he Also sealed upon my head all the blessing that had previously been pronounced upon me & thes blessing were sealed upon my head with a loud Amen from all of the anointed present in the name of Jesus Christ Much of the power & spirit of God & a sens of the virtue of the ordinance rested upon me May God enable me to possess those blessing & obtain those vishions that have been promised me in this & other solumn ordinances & keep me from dishonouring my anointing & the Holy Priesthood for Christ sake Amen.

The interview closed about 7 o.clock P.M. I then repaired into the lower Court of the Lords house in Company with Elders Joseph B. Nobles & G. W. Meeks to spend the night (after being anointed) in prayer & fasting before God the vales being closed we entered the Elders pulpit & there upon our knees we plead with God & we Covenanted with each other in the holy stand that we would not give sleep to our eyes neither take food untill we receieved a blessing from God by the outpourings of his spirit upon us if it was untill the end of three days and according to our Covenant we commenced praying & a part of the night we had a severe trial of our faith by great temptation from Satan but before day we gained a good degree of victory over the Devil & the Lord poured out his Spirit upon us & we felt it good to be in the house of

April 5-4 1837

God while nature was hushed in silenced by the sable, shades of night. After spending the night in prayer we returned to our homes in the mornin intending to spend the day in prayer & fastings for still greater blessings this being a year

April 5th I spent a part of the day in attending the high Council the remainder in writing, prayer, & fasting I again repaired to the upper lower part of the house of the Lord at 5 oclock P.M. with the quorum of the Seventies for a solemn assembly anointing &C. Three out of the seven presidents were present & anointed twelve the spirit of God sat upon us & we were satisfied with our blessing consequently I returned home with those brethren with whom I had covenanted for a blessing & took some food & retired to rest being 24 hours since we had taken food or sleep. There was much of the spirit of Prophesy & revelation poured upon the heads of the anointed in the diferent quorums

April. 6th 1837. This being more particular the day of the solumn assembly, or a day that is looked upon annually with feeling of greater interest in celebration of the 6th of April 1830 as upon that day the Church of Latter day Saints was first organized in this last dispensation & fulness of tim Henceforth the solumn assembly of the Elders' of Israel & all official members that can, will meet in the LORDS house annually to attend to the most solumn ordinances of the house of GOD & of receiving the visions & great things of heavens Therefore I shall be more particular in recording the transactions of this day than others for it is sumthing similar to the Pentecost that St Paul speak of at Jerrusalem

I repaired to the house of the Lord at 8 oclock A.M. & after spending an hour in the lower part of the house the presidency of the Chur

April 6th 1837

Called the quorums of the Seventies into the upper part of the house that they might be by themselves for a while as there was some business to be attended to in these quorums before they could procede to the business of the day below In the first place six of the Presidency of the Seventies were to leave the Seventies & take a station in the quorum of the travling high priesthood and six other Presidents chosen in theirs stead I shall not here give the particulars of this change of Councilders suffice it to say that all of the Councillors first chosen excepting Joseph Young were high priest befor the organization of the Seventies & they had a right to officiate in the lower offices of the Church & there was some difference in the authority and office of the quorums of high priesthood & Seventies.

The six new Presidents chosen out of the Seventies to take the place of thos that were to leave were John Gould. Josiah Butterfield. Salmon Gee. Foster. John Gaylard.

After this matter was aranged theire was a glorious ordinance performed upon the heads of those who had been anointed (by the first presidency of the Church Joseph Smith Jr Sidney Rigdon &c was this ordinance performed. it was as follows. while all of the anointed present lifted there hands towards heaven this first presidency of the Church confirmed & sealed upon our heads all the blessings of our ordination, anointing, & Patriarchal with a seal in the presence of God & the Lamb & holy angels that they should all be fulfilled upon our heads that not one jot or tittle should fail & the seal was confirmed upon our heads with a shout of all the anointed with uplifted hand to heaven HOSANNA. Hosanna. Hosanna. to GOD & the LAMB. Amen. Amen. & Amen. & Hosanna Hosanna. Hosanna. to GOD & the LAMB. Amen—

Amen. & Amen. & Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna to GOD & the LAMB. Amen. Amen & Amen This was repeated as it is written & if ever a shout entered the Cabinet of heaven that did & was repeated by angels on high & caused the power of God to rest upon us. (O ye Priest of Baal. O, ye Gentile religionest O ye inhabitants of Babylon possessing the mark of the beast what knowledge have ye of the ordinances or blessings or virtues of the house & Church of God) Great and marvelous are the blessings and power of the ordinances of the Lord & his gospel made manifest on these occasions After being in the upper room about two hours we again Joined the congregation of the Saints in the lower Court & the house came to order for the business of the day, the veils were closed & each apartment commenced the duties of the day the washing of the feet of the anointed was the first business that was performed. The twelve assisted our presidency in washing the feet Elder Heber Kimble one of the twelve apostles attended to the washing of my feet & prophesied upon my head & pronounced me clean from the Blood of this generation this as it was with JESUS when he washed his deciples feet. great were the blessings that rested upon us in this ordinance. After the washing of feet, the veils were rolled, which brought the congregation into one assembly, the stands of the priest hood were still covered with the veils the Presidency stood in the lower stand & President Joseph Smith jr arose and addressed the Congregation for the term of three hours clothed with the power, spirit, & image of GOD He unbosomd his mind & feelings in the house of his friends He presented many things of vast importance to the minds of the Elders of Israel. O that they might be written upon our hearts as with an iron pen to remain forever that we might practice them in our lives That fountain of light, principle & virtue that came forth out of the heart & mouth of the prophet **JOSEPH** whose soul like Enoch's swells wide as eternity I say such evidences presented in such a forcible manner ought to drive into oblivion every particle of unbelief & dubiety from the mind of the hearers, for such language sentiment principle & spirit cannot flow from darkness. Joseph Smith Jr. is a Prophet of God rised up for the deliverance of Israel as true as my heart now burns within me while I am penning these lines which is as true as truth itself. President Hiram Smith followed Joseph with many useful remarks he also was clothed with much of the spirit of God. Joseph desired us to give heed to his words & teaching this once & be wise that Zion & her stakes might spedily be redeemed he instructed us to be sure & that those that enter the Kingdom to send up their wise men to Kirtland with there money to counsel with the presidency & purchase an inheritance before they move their families or bring the poor to the places of gathering for to suffer: Also that we must keep in view the institution of the Kirtland Safety Society & if the Elders of Israel would be faithful & do what was in their power this once Kirtland should spedily be redeemed & become a strong hold not to be thrown down. Joseph presented us in some degree the plot of the City of Kirtland (which is the strong hold of the daughter of Zion) as it was given him by vision, it was great marvelous & glorious. the City extended to the east, west, North, & South, Steam boats will come puffing into the City our Goods will be conveyed upon railroads from Kirtland to many places & probably to Zion. houses of worship would be reared unto the most high beautiful streets was to be made for the Saints to walk in Kings of the earth would come to behold the glory thereof

& many glorious things not now to be named woul be bestowed upon the Saints, but all these thing are better imagined than spoken by the Children of Jacob

President Oliver Cowder follow Hiram Smith & made but few remarks but very appropriate, he called upon the Elders to keep within the bounds of their knowledge & to let the great myster-ies of the Kingdom alone for the gentiles had not a knowledge even of the first principles of the gospel. that it was far better to preach what the people would call the small things of the Bible than to enter into the vishions of Isaiah, Ezekiel, & John &c.

President Sidney Rigdon next spoke & said many important things and impressed it upon the Elders of Israel with great force & eloquence to lay to with their mights this once for the redemption of Kirtland that Israel may be safe & free and have a place to set his foot

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After the Presidency closed their remarks the twelve were called upon to break bread for the multitude (as Jesus did in the days of the Apostles) that they might all be filled they did so & we were all filled & was made glad while feasting with Patriarchs, Prophets, Apostles, Evangelest, Pasters, Teachers, & Deacons.

After the feast was closed thanks was returned to GOD with uplifted hands to heaven this being about the seting of the son all had the privilege of returning to thir homes that felt disposed & the rest might spend the night in the house of the Lord in prayer; & exhortation, praise & thanks-giving. At about candle light the meeting commenced with great interest Joseph requested the congregation to speak their feelings freely & pray according to the Spirit the Saints began to open their mouths & they were filled with language unto edification one a prayer another an exortatio some a doctrin & a psalm others a tongue some an interpretation Prophecy was also poured out upon us & all things was done decently & in order & the night was spent gloriously by the Saints much of the gifts of the gospel rested upon us- One Brother Clothed with the gift of tongues laid his hands upon my head & prophesied great Blessing upon me another Brother possessing the interpretation uttered it unto me to my Joy & Consolation with the many blessing pronounced upon my head he rehersed the Blessing that Jacob pronounced upon the heads of Joseph & said that I should possess the blessings of heaven & of earth & be much blessed in my ministry &c.

much Prophecy was uttered upon the heads of many of the Saints in other languages & was interpeted which was glorious, thus was this day & night spent gloriously & those scenes will long be remembered Rejoice O, earth & shout O heavens for the natural fruit of the tame olive tree is again manifest in the earth. the fig tree is puting forth leaves. The Church of Christ is travling out of the wilderness with her gifts & graces which edify the body of Christ. The house of God is reared in beauty & splender according to the pattern given by the vishions of heaven & the revelations of Jesus Chris O ye gentiles Come & receieve the gospel repent & be baptized for the remishion of your sins & recieve the Holy Ghost by the laying on of hands & partake of the blessing of God with Israel that you may be hid under the shadow of the ALMIGHTY in the day of GODs wrath & indignation upon Babylon which is at hand. The meeting Continued untill break of day when we all dispersed to our homes with great Joy & Consolation May the Lord bless the Saints & have mercy upon the poor the sick & the afflicted & deliver Israel from the gentile yoke for Jesus sake Amen

April 7th 1837

April 7th I spent the day in writing my Journal. & when the shades of evening began to appear I repaired to the house of the LORD in company with Elders Milton Holmes, & Joseph B Nobles for the purpose of worshiping God we entered one of the stands within the veils & fell upon our knees & Satan appeared also but not to worship God but to deprive us of the privilege Satan strove against us with great power by tempting & otherwis he at one time drove me from my stand while I was striving with my brethren to enter into the visions of heaven Notwithstanding his apparent victory good grew out of it for by going into the outter Court I there found Elder Freeman Nickerson an aged father in Israel who was faithful & prayed to God alway i solicited him to join us in prayer that we might gain a victory over Satan & get a blessing at the hand of God He joyfully accepted the invitation & we again entered the stand being four of us in number of one accord in one place we had great cause to be united in heart we all had travled together about 1,000 miles in the spring of 1834 for the redemption of Zion we at that time offered to lay down our lives & our offering was accepted as was Abrams. We felt considering those circumstances that we could kneel down & unitedly get a blessing by faith through Jesus Christ we fell upon our knees & began to cry unto God Satan departed, temptation found no place in our harts The power of God rested upon us & we were baptized with the Holy Ghost & the Spirit of God was like fire fire shut up in our bones we were immersed in the liberty of the Sons of God many great things were shown unto us the power of God & the Spirit of prophesy & revelation rested upon us I arose & proclaimed many Glorious thing upon the heads of my beloved brethreth that were present which were dictated in my heart by the Holy Spirit And I Willford testify in the name of Jesus Christ that many preciou things were shown me concerning my Brethren by the Holy Spirit in prophecy & revelation. Our hearts were made glad & we went our way rejoicing !!!

April 8th 1837

April 8th Spent the day in writing my Journal Spent the evening at Elder Milicans in Good Company

9th Sunday morning I repaired to the house of the Lord to worship with the Saints Father John Smith opened the meeting by prayer then read the twelvth Chapter of the second Book of Nephi & preached from it unto the people. In the latter part of the Day Elder Kimble addressed the Saints in the power of God Elder: O. Pratt followed with few remarks after Communion. President S Rigdon addressed the Congregation & laid before them their situation as to temporal things. as the gentiles are striving to besiege the Saints in Kirtland & would be glad to starve the Saints to death. He also stated that the Presidency had used every means for the deliverance of the Church but as many of the Church had refused Kirtlan Currency which was their temporal salvation in Consequence of this they put strength in the hands of their enemies & those that had done this thing must suffer by it Sidney Closed and

x Joseph arose & like the lion of the tribe of JUDAH he poured out his Soul in the midst of the Congregation of the Saints But who can find language to write his words & teachings as with an iron pen in a rock that they may stand for future generation to look upon A fountain of knowledge rolled from his mouth to the people which was the word of God Yea in the name of God he proclaimed that severe Judgment awaited those Characters that professed to be be his friends & friends to humanity & the Kirtland Safety Society But had turned tritors & opposed the Currency & its friends which has given power into the hands of the enemy & oppressed the poor Saints such have become Covenant Breakers for which they will feel the wrath of God as true as Joseph is a prophet

April 10th 1837

Joseph uttered the feelings of his Soul in pain while viewing the poverty & afflictions of Ephraim or the Saints in Kirtland at least that fals brethren should be whited walls & bring perrils upon the saints. Joseph is as a father to Ephraim & to all israel in these last days, he mourns because of unbelief & the negligence manifest with many who have receieved the gospel in obeying the commands of God he fears lest few be left to receieve an inheritance. There but is not a greater man than Joseph standing in this generation. The gentiles look upon him & he is to them like bed of Gold conceled from human view: they know not his principle, his spirit, his wisdom, virtue, phylanthropy, nor his calling. His mind like Enochs swells wide as eternity Nothing short of a God can comprehend his Soul

April 10th. I wrote two letters to the land of Zion one to Elder A.O. Smoot & the other to Elder Alexander

A Conference of Elders is to be held at

Mane Aug 12th & 13th AD 1837. on Saturday & Sunday

Direct a letter to Freeman Nickerson South Dennis Post Office

Barnstable County Massachusetts

My first acquaintance with Miss Phebe. W. Carter was on the eve of the 28th of Jan: 1837 at which time I was introduced to her at Elder Millikens by the politeness of Elder. M. Holmes after two & half months acquaintance we were joined in Matrimony the account of which will be found in the following pages

April 13th 1837

MATRIMONY.

WILLFORD. WOODRUFF. Born March 1st 1807
PHEBE. W. CARTER. Born March 8th 1807

April. 13th 1837. Marriage being an institution of heaven & honourable in all. I accordingly accepted the honour; upon this memorial day, by joining hands with Miss. **PHEBE. W. CARTER** in the bonds of matrimony and took upon ourselves the marriage Covenant. Elder Johnathan Holmes Also took the same responsibility upon himself at the same time by giving his hand to Miss Mary Carter in the marriage covennant. We were married at the house of President **JOSEPH SMITH, Jr** The ceremony was solemnized by President Frederick G. Williams President. J. Smith Sen the Patriarch then blessed us in the name of the Lord and pronounced great Blessings upon us & our posterity. President. J. Smith Jr was expecting to Solemnize the Ceremony. but his life was so beset & sought for by wicked and ungodly men for the testimony of **JESUS**, that he was under the necessity of fleeing from his house & home for a few days. O when will the prophets of rest upon the earth..

God We were married at. 2 oclock P.M and at 4. P.M. the whole Company Consisting of about. 16 Couple Walked from President J. Smiths. to President. S Rigdons whare we were gratifyed with the privilege of seeing Elder George Robinson & Miss Thalia Rigdon also Joined in matrimony by President F G Williams The Company dispersed at the sitting of tha sun I spent the night at President Joseph Smiths May the Lord bless us all with salvation

The sun in the east arose to gladden earth & shed o'er nature his pleaseing beams to welcome the return of delightful spring that dreary winter might be forgotten. No day more pleasing than April thirteenth 1837 while all nature smiled without friendships purest joys were felt beneath a prophets roof whare the brides and bridesgroom found a welcome reception. While by law with the nuptial cord their hands were bound their congenial hearts in one, lay cemented bearing the seal of Eternal life. Their friendship formed from principle pure, virtue unsuled, bid refinement o'er those hearts to rule, possessing the love of GOD the ownly foundation of true friendship. True the prophet Joseph from his wife, children & house for a moment had fled had torn himself from their embrace in some lonely place to seek a shelter to escape the blood thirsty gentiles hands against him raised for bearing the testimony of Jesus Christ. A Patriarch yet was left. He possessing a Holy Priesthood more ancient than his gray hairs arose upon his feet to bless in the name of GOD the married four. Being clothed in the spirit through the power of the priesthood he pronounced upon the wedded heads and their posterity blessing that ne'r decay.

While heaven smiles upon the Elders of Israel friendship presents each with a bride as a help meet whose prayers will be wasted by a more holy breeze than wind up to the throne of GOD for their companions while bound in chains & vaults in prisons cast for the word of God & the testimony of Jesus. These feeble words inspire their harts to call on God that he may here & send deliverance to the bridegroom in distance lands while under Zions banner the bride finds protections.

O heaven protect the four that they their covenants may fulfill that friendship may grow old but pure and strong as death that peace and harmony may crown their lives. Let God direct their steps their hearts possess his love while personal friendship joins their hearts and hands in one may light and truth their way direct until they meet the great Bridegroom

Vera amicitia est sempiterna

April 15th 1837

WILLFORD. WOODRUFFs Patriarchal Blessing Receieved April 15th 1837

At a blessing meeting held at the LORDs house in Kirtland Ohio on the 15th day of April AD. 1837. Joseph Smith sen the Patriarch of the Church of latter day Saints confered a blessing upon the head of Willford Woodruff son of Aphek Woodruff born in Farmington Hartford County Conn March the 1st 1807

My Beloved Brother I lay my hands on thy head in the name of JESUS CHRIST the Son of the living GOD and seal a blessing on thy head which shall reach thy posterity a seal that shall not be taken from thee. I bless thee as Melchisedec blessed Abram when he returned from the Slaughter of the ten Kings. I confer on the all the blessings of Abram Isaac and Jacob which includes all blessings both temporal and spiritual, the blessings of heaven & the blessing of the earth, thou shalt have all the power and authority of the Melchesedeck Priesthood. Thou hast a great work to do in the earth. Thou shalt visit many barberous tribes of the earth, they shall seek to take thy life; yet God will give the power and wisdom to frustrate their designs. Thou shalt be blessed with posterity; thy sons shall receieve the priesthood and be an ornament to the Church of Christ. yea they shall be great men in the earth, thou shalt be honord by them and they shall call thee blesed. I place a seal on thy head & no power shall be able to take it from thee if thou art faithful in keeping the Commandments of of God. This seal shall guard thee against the destroyer: Thou mayest have the administration of the angels of heaven, an Holy angel shall soon administer unto thee and reveal unto thee thy duty yea and give unto thee many instructions. Thou shalt have the Spirit of God to instruct thee in thy mission and lead thee into all truth thou shalt be filled with the Spirit of God. Thine eyes shall be opened to look within the veil and behold the things of eternity. yea the Lord of glory shall appear unto thee thou shalt put thy hands upon his feet and feel his wounds with thy hands that thou mayest be a special witness of his name Thou shalt understand great mysteries in this generation, Yea all the mysteries of the kingdom of God and the wisdom of God shall cleave unto thee. I seal all of thy former blessings on thy head and they shall be fulfiled. Thou shalt be a great man in the earth Thy intellectual powers shall be preserved and thy understanding shall be great. God has looked on thee from all eternity and has known thy Blood thou art a desendent of JOSEPH. Thou shalt stand in the flesh witness the winding up scene of this generation Thou shalt remain on the earth to behold thy Savior come in the clouds of heaven. Thou shalt be numbered with the one hundred forty and four thousand and shall stand upon Mount Zion and shall sing a song that no man can learn or sing except thy Company. Thou shalt have access to the treasures hid in the sand to assist thy necessities. An angel of God shall show thee the treasures of the earth that thou mayest have riches to assist thee in gathering many orphan children to Zion. Thou art one of the horns of Joseph to push the people together to the ends of the earth. No power shall stay thee. At thy word the winds shall be stayed. Thou shalt walk upon the waters at thy command the waters shall be divided, Prisons, chains, and vaults shall not hold thee for thou shalt rend them in twain thou shalt be deliverd out of the hands of thy enemies by the mighty power of God and by the prayer of faith. Thou shalt have great blessing Thou art of the Blood of Ephraim if thou will claim it by faith thou mayest bring all of thy relatives into the kingdom of God for they are of the blood of Ephraim

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In the name of Jesus Christ I seal this blessing on thy head by the authority of the Holy Priesthood I seal thee up unto Eternal Life even so. AMEN

PHEBE. W. CARTERS PATRIARCHAL Blessing Reccieved. 10th NOV: AD 1836

At a blessing meeting held in the Lords house in Kirtland Ohio on the 10th day of NOV AD 1836 Joseph Smith Senr the Patriarch of the Church of Latter Day Saints Confered a blessing upon the head of Phebe W Carter born in Scarborough, Cumberland County. State of Main the 8th of March 1807=

Sister in the name of Jesus of Nazareth and by the Power of the Holy Priesthood which God hath Confered upon me I lay my hands on thy head & place a seal on thy forward and if thou art faithful and keep the Commandments of God no power shall take it off it shall be a seal against the destroyer No blessings in heaven shall be too great for thee Thou hast thought much on thy Redeemer. Thou must Call on God the Father in the name of his son and he will open the heavens and rend the vail that thou mayest see the Son of man stand on the right hand of Power. Thou hast suffered in former days by being deprived of friends unto whom thou couldst unbosom thy minds thou hast sorrowed in the night season and in solitary places, no one knew thy sorrow or saw thy tears but God thy Father be Comforted for thy troubles are over and God will pour out his blessings to thee. Thou shalt have long life and see good days. Thou shalt be the Mother of many Children they shall be an ornament to the Church of Chrrist. Thy husband shall be a man of Wisdom, Knowledge, and understanding. Let thy heart be Comforted and have faith in God and his word. Thou shalt labour in the Temple of the Lord thy God. Thou shalt teach thy Companions the ways of righteousness thou shalt have many temporal blessing riches shall flow in unto thee and thou shalt rejoice

Willford Woodruff & Phebe W. Carter
Was Joined in Marriage April 13th AD 1837

rather than Complain thou must put thy whole trust in God. thou art of the blood of Ephraim thou shalt have a Celestial Crown Thou shalt have a residence in Zion and do a great work there Thou shalt sew the vail of the Temple and rejoice in the work of thy hands. If thou wilt keep the Commandmends thou shalt have all of thy friends they shall be members of the Covenant I seal all of these blessings on thy head in the name of Jesus I seal thee up unto Eternal Life AMEN AND AMEN

THE LAST DISPENSATION OF THE GOSPEL

Solemn and interesting are the scenes and living realities of the present generation of the human family. The reflecting mind may flit back with the rapidity of lightning to the day when GOD spake and Chaos herd and this world came into order; then from the days of ADAM trace the history of man down to 1830 years after Christ both sacred and profane and place their history in a point of light to comprehend in one combined mass all the rise, progress, decline, and fall of all the nations, Kingdoms and empires of the earth and they do not form a more compounded scenery of grand awful sublime and important events than is to transpire in this last dispensation of the gospel of Jesus Christ. The prophets and apostles & all inspired men of God in every age of a theocratical government have looked, spake, & written respectin this generation with feelings of the deepest interest. In 1830 the stone began to roll. The Church & body of Christ became visible It will continue to be propeled by the arm of JEHOVAH untill the Kingdom fills the whole earth & Israel gathered. Babylo falls & Christ reigns. Then marvel not O ye reader that the Patriarch Joseph pronounces blessings upon the Children of EPHRAIM

April 20th 1837

April 20th Spent this day in the house of the Lord in prayer and fasting with the Congregation of the Saints. Much of the power, gifts, and graces of the gospel was poured out upon us. speaking and interpeting of tongues was manifest in the Congregation one brother sung a lengthy song in tongues & sister Hide interpeted the same it was great & glorious much of it was respecting the fame of Joseph and his magnes works

[redacted]. I paid $37. dollars ~~of the same~~ to Elder Harvy Redfield for Jacob Bump which balanced all of my account with them both. I paid $5. dollars to Elder Heber Kimble [illegible] ove April 21.

April 22nd Receieved a Letter from my father in Law Ezra Carter under date of April 9th

30th spent the last week labouring with my hands for Elder H. Kimble

May 1st Mrs Woodruff with myself removed our boarding place to Elder W Parrishes whare we tarry for the present

5th While labouring for Elder J. Young in the latter part of the day we experienced a verry sudden, hard, & rapid storm of wind and rain a vane of it passed south of the temple in the form of a whirl wind or tornado it destroyed and injured several buildings it crushed one of Elder Young buildings instantly and removed the one we were in yet no lives were lost nor persons injured soon all was calm again

10th Brother Henry Harmon arived in Kirtland from the state of Maine and Mrs Woodruff receieved nine Letters from our friends in the state of Maine

May 14th 1837

May 14th we wrote two Letters to our friends in the State of Maine

23rd Spent several of the Last weeks in labouring with my hands for Elder Joseph Young. Spent the fore part of this day in attending a Patriarchal meeting I wrote a Patriarchal Blessing for Brother Henry Harmon

25th I comenced boarding with Elder Jonathan H. Hale

24th I wrote a Patriarchal Blessing, as it was delivered from the mouth of the Patriarch JOSEPH, for Elder Rufus [M] Lord

28th Sunday I repaired to the house of the Lord to worship the GOD of Israel with the Congregation of the Saints in Kirtland. Behold, it was a day of experience, of interest, & of Knowledge. The same spirits of murmering, complaining, & of mutiny, that I spake of in Feb. 19th in this journal, hath not slept, from that day to the present they have been brewing in the family Circle in the secret Chamber & in the streets untill many & some in high places had risen up against Joseph the servent whom God had raised up to lead Israel and they were striving to overthrow his influence & cast him down untill Joseph was grieved in spirit to sea in such perils among fals brethren. But notwithstanding this thick cloud of darkness standing over Kirtland Joseph being unmoved in the cause entered the Congregation of the Saints arose in the stand & spake to the people in the name of the Lord in his own defence the Lord was with him by his power & spirit to the convinceing of the honest that he would stand & his enemies fall. Sidney followed him with an able discourse & several others spake in the spirit in the spirit of God maintaining Joseph in his integrity. But; Alas, one arose, once a friend, (not now) in the blackness of his face & corruption of his heart stretched out his puny arm and proclaimed against Joseph. Joseph acted wisely while all saw the spirit of his foe O. [illegible] when thou art converted strengthen thy brethren

O my God deliver me from such a crime I pray thee

May 29th 1837

May 29th I met in the house of the Lord to attend an important Conference or meeting of the high Councel to attend to some important business of the Church [let memory speak upon this subject two [illegible] two [illegible] one [illegible] it was considered not [illegible] before the high Councel but before the Bishop the Presidents withdrew the Councel closed without transacting business]

I met with the quorum of Seventies 20 times from Jan to May 30th.

30th Rode to Panesville in Company with the Presidency & many other official members of the Church of latter day Saints for the purpose of attending a Court, President Joseph Smith jr was accused of endangering the life of Newel this was done out of spite not becaus he was guilty of the Charge the Court adjourned untill Saturday following we then returned home distance of the day 19 miles

I spent the evening in prepareing myself to go fourth from Kirtland into the eastern Country on a mishion to again proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ in company with some of my brethren may the Lord prosper our way

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May 31st The day had now arived for me to take the parting hand with the saints in Kirtland and again go into the vineyard to proclaim the word of God. I accordingly took my departure from Mrs Woodruff my Companion & Sister Hale who were expecting to tarry together for a season. I then left Kirtland in good Spirits in company with Elder Hale we walked to Fairport 12 miles I there took the Steam Boat Sandusky in Company with Elders J. H. Hale and

June 1st 1837

M. Holmes at 12 o'clock we reached Buffaloo at 6 o'clock in the morning the 1st day of June the Ice was still in lake Erie distance of the day 184 miles fare to Buffaloo $2.50 cts.

JUNE 1st We went aboard the Indiana the U.S.A. line Capt foot on the Erie Canal, travled as follows from Buffaloo to Black Rock 4 miles

Black Rock to Tonawanta 8 miles, Lockport 19m. Royalton 8m. Middleport 4. Medina 6. Albion 10. Holley 10. Brockport 5. distance of the day 74 miles

2nd from Brockport to Spencer's Basin 10 miles Rochester 10m. Pittsford 10m Bushnells Basin 3m Palmyra 16 = Port Gybson 5. Newark 3. Lyons 7 miles

distance of the day 64 miles

3rd Clyde 9. Montezuma 11. Port Byron 6. Weedsport 3. Jordan 6 Canton 6. Camillus 5 miles Syracuse 9 miles distance of the day 45 miles

~~4th Sunday~~ Fare to Syracuse $2.86 cts

4th Sunday walked from Syracuse to Richland Oswego Co N.Y. whare I was again blessed with the privilege of taking my Brethren after the flesh by the hand viz Azmon & Thompson Woodruff I had not seen either of them before for three years I found Cousin Eldad Woodruff with them. I found sumthing of a Coldness manifest towards me & my brethren because of our religion from my Brothers household esspecially from Elizabeth my Brothers wife. Notwithstanding it was against the principal of my Brothers family to receieve us for the night we were permited to sup with them when one of my former Neighbours Mr Walter Menter gave us a place to lay our heads for the night which we gladly accepted. 2nd Timothy 3rd ch. 3 V. O, scenes of life how variant, how trancient, how painful thou art

36 miles

June 5th 1837

June 5th I called in the morning at Brother Azmons & Conversed with him & also Brother Thompson upon temporal as well as spiritual subjects Neither of them manifested any hardness towards me in the morning but both appeared affected Brother Azmon said he was still seeking for light & truth & should not have left the truth or the Church of latter Day Saints had it not been for his temptations trials &c. But I commended him to God & was under the necessity of taking the parting hand and perhaps for the last time of my Brethren and their household amid some painful sensations with a firm belief there will be a change in their household which sentiment I expressed to Azmon, let time determin the fact. I could say in my heart Lord have mercy upon my Brethren my kinsman after the flesh - yet I could not say as I left the threshhold of his house. ((Halea tibou Ye hali ettoubon ɔ ^ h you)) as I could have done had we been received in the name of the Lord. We then walked to Sister Calvins & Elder Duchers in Jeffersons County

distance of the day 24 miles

6th Travled to Sacketts Harbour visited the American Garrison which was beautiful for situation had an interview with Brother Archibal Patten, at 10 o clock P M. we took passage on board the Oneida at Sacketts Harbor and crossed Lake Ontario to Kingston in the province of upper Canida this is the first time my feet have trod the soil of the kings dominions (after spending several hours in Kingston we walked to Kingston mills in the morning of the 7th)

distance of the 6th day 50 miles

7th Spent the night at Kingston Mills distance 5 miles

fare from Sacketts Harbour to Kingston $1.00

June 8th 1837th

June 8th we took the steem boat at 8. oclock at kingstons mills to go up the canal, we passed through a swamp of about 12 miles in length which abounded with firs such as muskrat. auter beaver. &c from Brewers mills we passed through Crambary marsh to Jones's falls where the boat passed through four locks which were built by the British government & supposed to be the most splended works in America they cost four hundred thousand dollars. being $100000 dollars each notwithstanding these magnus works the face of the Country around them presents a seene of the most gloomy aspect such as a rocky, hilly, barren, uncultivated Country we left the boat at the locks & walked to Brother A. James Judds in the township of Bastard Leads County U P C where we were joyfully receieved by the Saints of God who were raised up through Elders J.E. Page & J. Blacksleys instrumentality & was much rejoiced to here of the work of the Lord prospering in their hands distance of the day 34 m

9th Spent the day at Brother Judds in writing

10th We had an interview with Elders John. E. Page. & James Blakesley we accompanied them to the place appointed for a Conference in the Township of Bastard, Leeds County. Upper Canida. the Conference consisted of. 13. Elders. 5 Priest. 4 Teachers. and 6 Deacons. besides a large Congregation of saints Elder J. E. Page was chosen President & Brother William A Weston was appointed Clerk, I was called upon to open the Conference by prayer the Conference then proceded to business There was eight branches of the church represented consisting of, 300 members in all There was 32 Brethren presented for ordination Elder William Draper & myself were called upon to ordain them we then arose & ordained 7, Elders and

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9, Priests. 11 Teachers & 5 Deacons this with some other business composed the business of the day meeting closed & we retired to our places of abode in peace I accompanied several of my brethren to Elder Stodards whare we spent the night distance of the day 8 miles

June 11th I was called upon to address the Conference in the forepart of the Day it was with peculiar feelings that I arose to address a large Congregation of Saints raised up in another nation under an other Government seperate from mine own nation for this was the first time that I arose to address a Congregation of Saints under the British government I addressed the people from 2nd Cor: 12 Ch. 3. 4. verses the Spirit of the Lord was with us & we were blessed after I closed, the Saints spake with tongues and prophesyed. five presented themselves for baptism which was administered unto them by Elder Page after an intermishion, Elder Page addressed us upon the priesthood & bore strong testimony to the people. Our Conference closed by returning thanks to God & we took the parting hand with many Brethren & Sisters I returned with several Elders to Elder Stodards to spend the night & there was a woman present who was possessed with the devil she was oft times dumb & greatly afflicted by the evil spirits that dwelt in her She believed in Jesus Christ of Nazareth and us as his servent & called upon us to cast the devil out of her according to her request four of us lade hands upon her & commanded the devil in the name of **JESUS CHRIST** to depart out of her & it was immediately done & the woman arose with great joy & gave thanks & prase unto God for according to her faith she was made whole from that hour. A child also that was sick was made whole by the laying on of hands according to the word of God See Mark 16. ch 17th

6 miles

June 12th 1837

June 12th I took the parting hand with Elders Page & Blakesley & many other Saints & travled in Company with 6 other brethren to the branch of Church in leeds distance 30 miles we met together in the evening at Brother Carnes & bore testimony to the work in which we are ingaged Elders John Goodson. J. Hale M Holmes & John Snider followed each other in testimony I then followed them the spirit of of God rested upon us all. I Called upon Sister Carnes to present before us two of her Children which were sick one was a suckling child lay at the point of death I took it in my arms presented it before the Elders they lade their hands upon it while in my arms & we healed it in the name of Jesus Christ & I returned it whole to its Mother the other Child was also healed the Parents praised God for his goodness I spent the night at Brother Eetons

13th I took the parting hand with the Saints in the Leeds Church & walked in Company with several Elders to Kingston in upper Canada on the shore of lake Ontario a place containing 5 or 6 thousand inhabitants Spent the night in Kingston distance of the day 26 miles

14th I had an interview, in the Streets of Kingston, with Brothers John Gribble & Isaac Russel at 12 oclok we went on board the Great Britian J Whitney Capt. we reached Oswego at 7 P.M 60 miles fare $1.00 dollar left Oswego in the line boat Maumee & travled 14 m during the night the whole distance 78 miles

15th Travled 18 miles to Syracuse & we went on board the Saint Joseph at 5 oclock P.M travled to Rome 45 m the whole distance of the day 63 miles

16th travled to Utica 15 miles. we left Utica at 3 oclok P.M. in a rail car and reached Schenectady at 8 oclock being but 5 hours in travling 80 miles here we took the parting hand with three of our beloved brethren that had journed with us from Canada viz. Elder John Goodson and Priests Isaac Russel & John Snider thes brethren were bound for the City of New York to Join two of the

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twelve in leaveing New York for England on the 20th day of JUNE AD 1837 to carry glad tidings of Salvation to the inhabitants of Europe. Heber C Kimble & Orson Hyde were the first appointed to open the kingdom to England they are the two twelve above spoken of and will leave America on the 20th for that purpose accompanied by five other brethren. May the God of Israel be with them & make them an instrument in his hands of rending the Kingdoms of this world. After parting with these brethren who continued on the rail road to Albany we walked 5 miles from Schenectady & spent the night at a tavern the whole Distance of the day was 700 miles

JUNE 17th I walked in company with Elders Hale & Holmes to Mr Browns tavern distance of the day 33 miles we visited Albany & crossed the ferry into Greenbush I had an unexpected visit or interview with Doct Slater from Richland Oswego County NY

18th walked from Browns through a part of Massn into Canaan, Litchfield Co. Connecticut & while I was delighted to again set my feet upon the soil of Connecticut my native state my soul was filled with joy to find myself permited to strike hands with one of the Elders of Israel raised up in the state it was Elder Gibson Smith who was presiding at the Canaan branch he receieved us kindly & bade us welcome, a meeting was appointed and I preached to the people amid the most silent attention in the academy distance of the day 33 miles

19th We walked from Brother Smiths to Mr Jesse Moses where we found Priest Julian Moses & a number of brethren & Sisters & we rejoiced together distance 7 miles Spent the night at Brother Francis K Benedict I was informed my father Aphek Woodruff had mooved from Colebrook to Farmington his former place of residence

20 Spent the day in writing. On this important day the Elders of Israel leave New York for Europe [illegible]

June 21st Rode to Elder G Smiths June 21st 1837 distance 6 miles

22nd Returned to Brother Benedict from thence ~~to~~ I walked in company with Fracis K Benedict Jr to beach hill in Colebrook Litchfield County Conn here I had the happy privilege of again embracing my Sister Eunice woodruff face to face we saluted each other with a harty shake of the hand us [illegible] it had been five years since we last parted with each other; I found Sister Eunice teaching school in the rock school house near Alpha Sages after an interview & dining with my sister we visited the Stillman neighbourhood in order to find Elder Dexter Stillman from thence we walked to Mr Daniel Nortons in New Marlboro Barkshire Coun Mass from thence to Father F. Benedicts the whole distance 40 miles

23rd Spent the day in writing at Brother Benedicts

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24th we met in conference at Mr Jesse Moses in Canaan, Litchfield County, Conn to transact such business as might be laid before us The conference was composed of the following Elders. Willford Woodruff. Jonathan H Hale. Milton Holmes. Dexter Stillman. & Gibson Smith & Priest Julian Moses. Elder W Woodruff was called to the Chair & Priest J. Moses appointed clerk. The meeting opened by prayer & busines called for Two was presented for ordination & after having the vote of the church W. Woodruff ordained Julian Moses & Francis K Benedict to the office an Elder the spirit of God rested upon us in this ordinance. [illegible] after transacting the business of the day the conference adjourned to meet on the morrow at 10. oclock

25th Sunday met according to adjournment. Elder M Holmes preached to the people and had great liberty of speach & was followed by the testimony of three Elders. Elder W. Woodruff preached in the latter part of the day from the parable of the ~~p~~ vineyard by the prophet Zenas & meeting closed by singing the spirit of God &c after meeting we took the parting hand from Elders M Holmes & J Moses who started on a mission to the town of Mansfield Con

June 26th 1837

June 26th I Took the parting hand with the Saints in the Canaan Branch & walked to New Marlborough Berkshire County. Mass.. in company with Elders J. H. Hale & D. Stillman. we preached at night in the Schoolhouse spent the night at Mr Dan Nortons distance 4 miles

27th walked to Mr Charles. D. Palmers Preached at night in the schoolhouse in the South Parish, spent the night at Col Palmers. distance, 5. miles.

June 28th I walked from Col. Palmers to the rock schoolhouse in Colebrook, with Elder Hale. Here I found my Sister Eunice still employed in teaching School. I had a short interview with Mr Alpha Sage, I spent the latter part of the Day accompaning Sister Eunice in her School a verry interesting time I had to behold my Sister which I had left five years before at our fathers house ownly twelve years of age now teaching the youth with shining accomplishments that grace the female sex. While she was teaching her pupils she presented me with a bundle of Letters, fifteen of them were the production of Brother Asahel Spen I perused them with great interest, their contents presened a great variety. After School Sister Eunice accompanied me to Mr Jonathan Stillmans After Supper I took the parting hand with Eunice and in company with my Brethren Hale, and Dexter Stillman, I held a meeting in the School house in the evening I preached the gospel of Jesus Christ unto the people & bore testimony unto the truth of the Book of Mormon. I spent the night at Mr Samuel Griswold [illegible] 13 miles

Yes at 11 oclock AM I entered the school taught by Sister Eunice Woodruff. Five hours I spent within its walls amid as great variety of sensations as ever vibrated my bosom. I beheld my Sister my ownly Sister seventeen years of age, adorned with youth, modesty, and lovliness. her face veiled with the true picture of PHILO. with a degree of admiration I gazed upon the change five years had brought upon her; Her sprightly step with energy was marked while teaching the young. To more perfectly call to mind the recollection of youth and past scenes and to entertain in my mind amid the passing hours, this Sister presented me, with a cheerful grace, a bundle of Letters from an absent Brother. I looked them through and throug, they pressed my soul with feelings. Asahel yes thy letters I read fifteen in number to thy Sister directed. They brought to my soul as a great variety of feelings, as matter they contained. They presented before ~~they~~ my ~~mind~~ view the display of a cultivated mind and the refined talents of a Brother presented to a Sister with the most untarnished friendship and deepest feeling for her wellfare that can grace the human soul. Such teaching as those to Eunice directed if followed by the female youth would lead them by a thousand snares. The name of Willford was mentioned oft by [illegible] (O. GOD protect my Brothers, my Sister; my wife, and my Parents, for Jesus sake) While at once I viewed this three years convers of Asahel I smiled, I wept. Eunice preserve those in memory of a brothers LOVE. I left the house and by my sisters side I viewed the Colebrooke landscapes as we walked. O I spake of Asahel, I thought of him. We visited our Parents dwelling at Sages mills, but they had gone to Farmington. stumps & stones. house and all looked natural, the house I visited no Parent or brother was there, all silent as death, I dropt a tear; Eunice pluckd a rose as we left we was soon received by Jonathan Stillmans took a seat at his board and closed the scene.

How pleasing and how painful are the scenes of life

June 29th 1837

June 29th Spent the day in writing walked in the evening to Colebrook river Litchfield County Conn Preached at night in the methodist meeting house Spent the night at the house of wid. Mills distance of the day 4 mils

30th we had an interview with a methodist priest he rejected our testimony & said that God had neither body or parts & that it was rediculous to worship one that had. we told him the God we worshiped had both body & parts & warned him to repent and left him in our walk Elders Stillman, Hale and myself dined in the field upon a rich repast of strawberys we walked to william Smiths and preached at the Schoolhouse and spent the night at Elias Cray

distance of the day 8 miles

July. 1st walked to Deacon Daniel Stillmans Preached to him he rejected our testimony I warned him to repent &c. from thence we walked to Melven Smiths and spent the night 5 miles

2nd Sunday we preached at the methodist meeting house I Preached upon the authenticity of the Book of mormon from thence we walked to Mr Eneas Bidwell preached at his house & spent the night distance of the day 7 miles

3rd we left Mr Bidwell and beach hill and repaired to a stream of pure water aside from the abodes of men and in company with my brethren Elders Stillman & Hale and myself we clensed our hands and feet in testimony against the inhabitants of beach hill who had rejected us and our testimony from thence we walked to Brother william R French in North Canaan distance of the day 10 miles

4th INDEPENDANCE. I walked in company with Elder Hale to Brothers Benedict and Moses after dining with the friends I procured a horse to ride to Colebrook post office and to visit Sister Eunice I found two papers at Sages store directed to father and sister Eunice from Brother Asahel I found no letters for us I did not have a visit with Eunice She had joined a party to Sail on Doolittles pond on my return holm I saw them crossing the pond in a sail boat I raised a flag in token of friendship they answered me but did not know it was a brother as they past my sight behind a grove I bowed to them in silence & only said God save my Sister Spent the night at J Moses distance of the day 24 miles

5th walked to Brother Frenchs then in company with Brother Hale I took the stage to New Hartford I had an interview with Richard B Cowles from thence to AVON Spent the night at aunt Helen wheelers visited my kinsman & former friends in the place distance 30 miles

A view of the place of my nativity July 6th 1837

July 6th This was a day of great interest to me I left aunt Wheelers, after visiting Daniel. Luther, and many in the place I walked in company with Elder Hale on the canal to uncle Adna Harts from thence to Woodfords mills built and formerly owned by my father Aphek Woodruff I was born and spent my youth upon the place after viewing the mills, I walked to the house whare I was born & visited each appartment, The house and farm all lookd natural Bogue Hill not accepted. I called at Mr Henry Woodford's & saw Mrs Woodford. I also called upon Mr Judds, Mrs Allens, Z. & O Harts, at Roger Woodfords I saw Eldad. & Lavilla Day. I called upon uncle Titus Woodruffs family I saw Caltha Herd, I called upon Capt Francis Woodruff, Erastus Woodruff Adna & C all glad to see me. I visited uncle Ozem Woodruffs family he was absent I saw Almirah Fuller & many other friends. During this walk I passed the School house in which I had spent many of my youthful days I gazed upon it and also upon the grave yard in which lay the bones of many of my progenitors & friends my Mother not accepted in visiting their tombs I read the inscription of several numbered with the dead who were well when I left Connecticu in 1832 I read the following inscription upon the TOMB stone of my Mother BULAH WOODRUFF. the daughter of Lot Thompson

A pleasing form a generous gentle heart
A good companion Just without art
Just in her dealings faithful to her friend
Beloved through life lamented in the end

Woodruff

Bulah Thompson was born 17.82. Died June 11th 18.04. Aged 26 years

Aphek Woodruff was born Nov 11th 17,78 [illegible]

Married. Nov 29th 18.01

Azmon born Nov 29th 1802

Ozem. Thompson born Dec. 22nd 18.04

Willford born March 1st 18.07

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Azubah Hart born July 31st 1792
Married to Aphek Woodruff Nov 9th 1810
Philo born Nov 29. 1811 Died Nov 25th 1827 Aged 17 years
Asahel Hart born April 11th 1814. Died Oct 14 1838 24 Year
Franklin born ~~April~~ March 12th 1816 Died June 1st 1816
Newton born June 19th 1818 Died September 1820 4y
Julius born April 22 1821 Died
EUNICE born June 19th 1820 ~~Died Aug 4th 1844 Aged 24.~~

After spending most of the day in visiting the before mentioned friends I walked from Ozem Woodruffs to Farmington to again visit my Parents who had mooved from Colebrook, a few days previous, to their former place of residence. I arived at my fathers house at the setting of the sun whare I was once more in life blessed with the happy privilege of taking my parents by the hand & of beholding them face to face after being seperated from them rising of five years I was joyfully receieved and made heartily welcome. I visited the mills whare I had spent several years & found things looked natural I spent the night plesantly at my fathers house distanc of the day 16 miles

7th Spent the day at my fathers in writing wrote a Letter to Brother Asahel H Woodruff

8th I walked from my fathers house into the west street of Avon I called upon uncle Thadeus Thompson, Grandmother Thompson & her household & many other relatives & neighbours all of which manifested pleasure in seeing me. I spent the night at uncle Titus Woodruff & was rejoiced to see him once more the distance of the day 7 miles

9th Sunday walked to Uncle Ozem Woodruff & found him at home, I was truly rejoiced to once more take this dear friend by the hand Oft hath this friend led me by the hand in my youth Oft hath uncle Ozem taught me the gifts & graces of the Church of Christ [illegible] O God have mercy upon him & enable him to stand in the new and everlasting covenant, I also visited Alson Thompson & other friends, I preach at the lovly streat Schoolhouse to a full Congregation of relatives & friends that gave strict attention & treated me with kindness the spirit of God rested upon us I spent the night at uncle Alson Thompsons distance of the day 4 miles
uncle Ozem Woodruff & his wife receieved the word into good and honest hearts they believed the word & bid me God speed

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10th I walked in company with Elder Hale to Collinsville I had an interview with Samuel Barber uncle Ozem was assisting in building a stone dam across the river at Collinsville. I visited a pine grove that I often retired to in 1830 for prayer & meditation I had many intresting seasons by day & by night while tending a mill for Collins in 1830, in the pine grove above spoken of, I spent about 3 hours in this ~~hours~~ groves reading the book of mormon and prayer. I met at the city hall in Collinsville at 6 oclock PM. for the purpose of preaching the gospel to the people. immediately after I arose and commenced speaking the beating of drums was herd at the doors laughing & sneering was previlen in the congregation the Prysbeterian Priest was enraged against the truth as soon as I closed the priest hurried himself to the place whare I stood I was immediately surrounded by the congregation. The priest said I had no righ to enjoy my opinion he became angry & said many verry inconsistant things after presenting him with some cutting truths he left me. [illegible] the priest & the people with very few exceptions rejected us & our testimony Brother Hale & Ozem Woodruff & myself repaird to the groves for prayer we had a good time. We spent the time of night at Mr Bush distance of the day 3 miles

11th We walked to uncle Ozem Woodruff. Brother Hale & myself repaired to a stream of pure water & we there cleansed our hands and feet and bore testimony before God, against Mr Vanarsdalen a Prysbeterian ~~Pryste~~ priest who rejected our testimony & against the whole villedge who rejected our testimony I preached at the Lovly street schoolhouse at candlelight upon the authenticity of the Book of Mormon the people gave good attention I spent the night at uncle Ozem Woodruffs We conversed upon the things of the Kingdom untill the following day

12th and during the night at 2 oclock AM, uncle Ozem Woodruff & his houshold believed the fullness of the everlasting gospel & I led them fourth at the same hour of the night and baptized them for the remission of their sins, being three of them viz Ozem Woodruff. Hannah Woodruff. & John Woodruff. their son. Glory to God in the highest for this blessing the Lord hath given me the desires of my heart in this ~~thirk~~ thing which is in fulfillment of a vision given me in 1818 all is now fulfilled.

July 13th 1837

After Baptizing the beforementioned friends I walked in Company with Elder Hale to simsbury to visit aunt Cossetts household they receieved us kindly & believed our teachings. I was truly glad to behold them face to face & teach them the things of the Kingdom. spent the night with them distance of the day 10 m

July 13th I took the parting hand with Aunt Anna Cossett & Bulah Hart, Cousin Betsey, Anna. &c & walked to Adna Harts in Avon distance of the day 12 miles

14th Spent the day in visiting my relatives, rode to Farmington & took supper with father, mother, & Sister Eunice. & had the happy privilege of reading a letter from ~ PHEBE ~ which gave me the information that she was on her way to farmington we returned & spent the night at uncle Thadeus Thompsons 10 m

15th walked to Brother Ozem Woodruff & Preached at the School house spent the night with Brother Woodruff distance 2 miles

16 Sunday walked to aunt Wheelers from thence to Adna Harts whare we had an appointment for preaching I had the happy privilege of onemore striking hands with Phebe my wife she came to attend the meeting in Company with Mother & sister Eunice. I preached to a Congregation at 5 oclock P.M. which was composed of relatives, neighbours & former friends after meeting I took the parting hand with Brother Ozem Woodruff & John & other friends & walked to my Fathers in farmington with Brother Hale whare we spent the night with my parents & sister & wife. distance of the day 10 miles

17th spent the day in writing at my fathers in company with my friends, Phebe, Eunice Mother &c.

18th spent the day at my Fathers I wrote an acrostic for sister Eunice Woodruff in her ALBUM. I took a walk in the afternoon with Phebe and Eunice

19th Spent the day at fathers. I took the parting with Brother Hale who started for New Rowley I preached in the methodist meeting house in Farmington at candle light to an attentive Congregation they appeared satisfyed with the doctrin, my parents, sister, & wife were present. the Congregation requested me to hold another meeting with them

20th I took the parting hand with my Father & Mother & Sister Eunice [illegible] &c. may the Lord bless my fathers household. I took the stage in Company with Phebe & rode to Hartford. 10 miles on [illegible] worcester

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JULY. 21st I left Hartford at 5 oclock A M & on foot I walked during the day 52 miles & stopt for the night 14 miles west of Worcester, at 8 oclock making 15 hours that I walked 3½ miles per hour through a hot sultry day 52 miles

22nd Arose much refreshd by sleep & walked into Worcester whare I took Breakfast after a 14 miles travel from thence I walked to Grow ridge tavern within 13 miles of Lowell here I spent the night. The whole distance of the day. 48 m

23rd Sunday I walked into Lowell & took Breakfast from thence through the different towns into New Rowley, Essex County Mass. whare I arived at about 6. P M & was joyfully receieved by Brother Nathaniel Holmes & Sister Holmes his wife being the parents of Elders Jonathan & Milton Holmes. I was here again privileged of striking hands with several dear friends such as Elders M Holmes & J. Hale & my Phebe who ~~we~~ I truly rejoiced to again meet. the distance of this days walk was 36 miles

The whole distance of the three days walks above spoken of is 136 miles making 45 miles pr day

Excell this ye who can & not be weary in body or lame in limb or joint & it will be because you are assisted by higher power than man [illegible]

24th Spent the day at Brother Holmes in writing

25th Spent part of the day in writing I wrote a Letter to Brother Asahel H Woodruff in the afternoon I went to hear two quaker women lecture in public upon the abolition question they found fault with the constitution

26th I wrote a letter to Brothers A & T Woodruff

27th I preached at Brother Nathaniel Holmes

28th I went to Haverhill & returned to Brother Holmes, 10 m

29 Elder J Hale preached in New Rowley I followed him

30 Sunday I preached at Brother Holmes Communed with the Saints & at 5 PM I again preached at the School house

31st I wrote a Letter to Julian Moses & returned to Elder Holmes & spent the night distance 3 miles

Aug 1st 1837

X Aug 1st I took the parting hand with the friends in New Rowley & walked in Company with Elder Hale to Newmarket River in Rockingham County New Hampshire the seatide was in & the water being salt we went into it & bathed ourselves we then took the stage & rode into Dover a place of six thousand inhabitants & spent the night at Capt Benjn Wiggins the distance of the day 40 miles

2nd Spent the day in Dover visiting the Cotten Factories &c

3rd Walked to South Berwick York County State of Maine this is the first time I visited the state of Maine we dined at Mr Henry Plomers then walked to Mr Moses Cooper & found Sister Sophia Cooper strong in the faith. I preached in the evening Elder Hale was sick through the night & I felt much unwell we were both poisioned [illegible] distance 8 miles

4th walked to Wells a village standing upon the Sea Shore we were ill through the day distance 18 miles

5 walked to SACO Mane population about 4000 from thence to Brother Edward Milliken & spent the night 21 m

6th Sunday we had an interview with Elder Lord we visited Mr Samuel Lowell & his family spent the night, [illegible]

7th Walked to Brother Townsend spent the night with him 3

8 walked to Brother E Milliken & soon Elder Milton Holmes arived from New Rowley bringing my wife with him we were all happy to again meet. After dining I wrode in Company with PHEBE my wife to Mr Ezra Carters my father in Law this is the first time I ever visited his house, or saw any of the family. It had been about one year since Phebe left her fathers house to go to Kirtland. When we arived at father Carters he was absent. Mother Carter was confined to a bed of sickness & had been very low, but was fast recovering. one Brother was at home & all of the Sisters being four of them viz Sarah Foss, Rhoda, Shuah, & Mary Joseph F Carter was present, two other brethren were absent viz Ezra & Ilus. it was an affecting meeting we were both joyfully recieved & made wellcome, during the evening father Carter came home & we all rejoiced [illegible] 10 miles

9th Spent the day at father Carters in Company with Elders Hale & Holmes & other friends. I wrote a letter to My Parents in Farmington Con & inclosed $5 dollar to them

August 10th 1837

AUG 10th [illegible] I rode in company with Mrs Woodruff to Cyrus Fendersons we had an interview with [illegible] Aphia Woodmans Mother & Brother & Sister from thence we rode to Brother James Townsend & saw Elders Hale & Holmes Sup.d with them & returned to Father Carters whare I was privileg.d with an interview with Ezra Carter Jr & his Lady 20m

11th in company with Ezra & Fabyen Carter I entered a fish boat & put forth into the Sea for the purpose of fishing we spent the day and night at anchor & caught 250 fish such as Cod, Haddock, Hake &c. I also saw four WHALES two of them appeared in view at the same time, this was the first time I ever saw a fish belonging to that kind that swallowed Jonah [illegible] Spent the night at sea [illegible]

12th Returned to Father Carters 3 miles

13th Sunday rode to Brother Edward Milliken held a meeting with the saints & returned to Father Carters distance 14 miles

14 Wrote a letter to Sisters Aphia W[illegible] & Sarah M[illegible]

15 Spent the day at Sister Sarah Foss [illegible]
we returned & spent the night at Fathers

16 Spent the day at Father Carters

17th wrote a letter to the Saints in Zion directed it to
Elder A O Smoot or Levy Taylor

X

18th I took the parting hand with the friends, such as father Carters household my wife &c. & left Scarborough in company with Elder Hale for the purpose of visiting the Islands of the Sea to preach the gospel to those that trade in ships &c [illegible] we arived at Portland in the evening. I had an interview with my Brother in Law Ezra Carter Jr. The population of Portland is about 16000. I spent the night in the City at Mr Samuel Hales distanc 10m

19th we took the steam boat Bangor at 11 AM for fox Islands. we arived at Owls Head at sun set, left the boat & went on shore fare $3. distance 85 miles. [illegible]. We went aboard of a sloop and crossed to fox Islands, 10 miles arived at 2 oclock in the morning of the 20th 95 miles Called at Nathaniel Dyers & retired to rest. Arose in the morning made ourselves known as servents of GOD. we enquired concerning meetings & learned there was to be preaching to day as it was the sabbath. in the Baptist meeting house in the centre of the North Island which was part of Vinalhaven. Mr Benjamin Kent accompanied us to

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the place of meeting. When we arived the meeting had commenced, we conversed with the Deacon of the Church, & informed him we were servents of the Lord, had a message to the people & wished to be herd. He conversed with the Baptist Priest by the name of Gideon J. Newton upon the subject, he did not object. we were invited into the stand. & Mr Newton gave out an appointment for us to preach at 5 oclock PM. When he closed his discourse he invited us home with him & gave us some refreshment, we presented him the Book of Mormon, he was mild and said he would read it. Mr Newton accompanied us to the meeting house the Congregation assembled at the appointed time, and amid peculiar feeling I arose and addressed them from Gal. 1 ch 8: 9. this was the first time that I or any Elder of the church, (to my knowledge) ever arose before the inhabitants of one of the Islands of the Sea to preach unto them the fulness of the everlasting gospel and the Book of Mormon. After I closed I gave out an appointment for each of the four following evenings to be held in the several districts of North Island. We spent the night with Mr Benjn Kent distance of the day 8 miles

[illegible] Ephraim

[illegible] A E I O U Y [illegible] AU OY OU

Vinal haven is in Lat. 44. North. Long 69. 10. East Pop. 1800. Maine Vinal haven includes both North & South fox Islands. The inhabitants are generally wealthy, healthy, intelligent, industrious, generous, and hospitable to strangers. The people get most of their wealth & living by fishing. The Town of Vinalhaven fits out rising of 100. licensed Sail beside small craft. North fox Island is 9 miles long & 2 miles wide. Pop 800. they have a Post office, one store, a Baptist church & meeting house & four School houses & a grist mill. The land is rather rocky & rough yet there is many good farms which produces goad wheat, barley, oats, potatoes, & grass which is the staple production. The principal timber is fir, spruice, hemlock & birch. Sheep are the principal stock upon the Island. Rasp, & Goose buries grow in great abundance. South fox Island comes as near being without any form or void as any land I ever saw, It would be difficult for the best historian to give an exact description of it. It is about 10 miles long & 5 broad and it is one universal mass of rocks formed into shelves, hills & dales cut up into necks & points to make room for the cooves & harbours that run through and through the island. pop is 1000. They get their wealth entirely by fishing. Their principal stock is sheep. Their is some small parts of the Island under Cultivation, but it is at the expense of great labour and toil. Many of the inhabitants of this Island fish at Newfoundland & bring their fish home & dry them upon their own flakes & prepare them for market. they supply the market annually with great quantities of dried fish, Mackerel & boxed herren. There is two stores, three tide saw mills. six school houses & a small branch of the methodist Church & a priest. The timber is Pine, fir, spruce, hemlock & birch. much of the timber & whortelbury bushes grows out of the cracks of the rocks. Rasp & goose buries also grow in great quantities upon this Island

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There is great quantities of fish inhabit the waters, cooves & harbours around these Islands, such as Whale. Blackfish, Shark, ground Shark, PILOT fish, Hors mackerel, Stergeon, Salmon, Holloboat, Cod, Pollock, Tom Cod, Hake, Haddock, Mackerel, Shad, Bass, Ale wives, Herren, Pohagen, Dolphin, Whiting, Frost fish, Flounders, Smelt, Skate, Shrimp, Skid, Cusk, Blebacks, Scollop Dogfish, Muttonfish Lumpfish, Sqid, Fivefingers, Monkfish, Norsfish, Sunfish, Swordfish, Thrasher, Cat, Scuppog, Tootog, Eyefish, Cunner, Ling, Eels, Also Lobsters, Clams, Scollop, Mussles, Rincles, [illegible] [illegible] and Porposes, Seal, &c &c. & many others not named. Thus stands a brief account of the town of VINAL HAVEN

Aug 21st Visited the seashore, we saw twenty gallant ships under sail, it was a fine day. We went to the North District & Preached in the Schoolhouse Elder Hale spake upon the authenticity of the Book of Mormon I followed him the spirit of GOD rested upon us. We spent the night with Mr Stephen Luce. 10m

22nd We again visited the sea shore, we gathered some Pebbles from the beach. white & other colours that were nearly transparent, they wash from the sea. our intent was to preserve them in memory of the Island. We accompanied, S, Luce Esq. in a boat to catch some fish in Penobscot Bay and when we entered its mouth the bay was occupied, by a magnus school of Pohagen fish, they coverd acres, it was supposed there was a sufficient qantity in the school to have filled, 500,000, barrels we caught none of them, but saw & herd them rush in large bodies upon the top off the water; Numerous fish Halks were busy in catching and carrying of many of them. From this survey we walked to the South School & I Preached to a large congregation, Priest Newton was among the number [illegible] We spent the night at Mr Benjn Kents. Distance 8 miles

23rd We walked to Eleazar Carvers on the east part of the Island I stood on his farm & saw fifty five Islands a part of them was inhabited. some were not Also twenty ships under sail. We preached at night in the East Schoolhouse. We spent the night with Esq Luce 4m

24th Preached at the west schoolhouse to a large congregation. Spent the night with Dea Hezekiah Eames. Distance of the day 8 miles

25th Elder Hale preached in the East School house, & I preached in the West schoolhouse at 7. P.M. I visited Benjn Crabtree Esq in looking over his library I saw an account of John Calvin burning Servetus a french Physition for differing from him in sentiment &c. I spent the night at Lewis Liberters Distance of the day 5 miles

26th we walked to B. Kents [illegible] & visited the sea shore. We bathed in salt water whare there was several seal swiming around us one of them came near us. I went to the North schoolhouse & Preached in the evening. Elder Hale Preached at Levy Dyers. I spent the night at Makire Luce 7mil

27th Sunday I walked to the East parish. & found Elder Hale. I preached at. 10. A.M. on faith. I also preached in the Baptist meeting house to a large congregation at. 5. P.M. on the coming of christ. & gave out five appointments for the weak. While I had a congregation during the Day, I was credibly informed, that Mr Newton, had not one soul beside himself to attend his meeting. Spent the night at Capt Justus Eames. distance. 8. miles

24th Wrote a Letter to Phebe. I Preached in the west district. Spent the night at Hezekiah Eames. we had an interview with Nathaniel Woster aged 74. He had been an inhabitant of Fox Islands 170 years. he had never been in his life 1½ miles from sea 16 miles

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Aug 29th Preached at the North Schoolhouse, Spent the night at Malatiah Luce 8m
30th Elder Hale Preached at the east schoolhouse I followed him. stayd with Carver,
31st Last day of summer I visited many friends. I retired in company with (4m
Elder Hale to a grove & sat down under a firtree and Sung a song Compose
by Elders Marsh & Pratt on the last day of Summer in. 1835. The Son that
declines in the far western sky. &c. We then knelt down and worshiped
GOD. we preached in the South School house. we spent the night at Capt
Justus Eames distance of the day 7. miles
Sept 1st I Preached at Mr Levy Dyers. Spent the night at Mr Dyers 4. miles
2nd Elder Hale preached at Mr Sterretts I followed him spent the night with Kent 6 m
3rd Sunday I Preached at Capt Justus Eams. & delivered two discourses
after I closed. I opened a door for baptism and two offered themse
-lves as candidates. which was Capt Justus Eames & his wife. We
immediately walked to the sea shore and Elder Jonathan. H. Hale, lead
them down into the sea & baptized them. These were the first. Eld
Hale ever Baptized. & the first baptized upon the Islands of the
sea (to my knowledge) in these last days by an Elder of Israel. I
gave out an appointment for next Sabbath at Brother Eames. I adminis
-tered in the confirmation of Brother & Sister Eames. I spent the night
with Stephen Luce Esq distance 4 miles.
4th We walked to Brother Eames & found them rejoicing in the Lord [illegible]
[illegible] A young man came in to enquire what he should do to be
saved. I taught him as peter did on the day of Pentecost the spirit of
of God is like leaven through the Island. We walked to the Post Office
took a sail boat to cross to South fox Island, we had a plesant
time & sung on the way, The gallant Ships &c. It was about 12 mils
across to the place of our landing. on the neck. I felt to rejoice
To stand upon another Island of the sea to preach the gospel. May
God bless us and give us access to the hearts of the people & sou
-ls as seals of our ministry. We immediately gave out an appoi
-intment at school house NO. 1. Elder Hale preached on the gospe
I followed him. The spirit of God rested upon us. We spent the
night with Mr James Babbidge [illegible] distance 7 mi
5th We walked about a mile from Mr Babbidge and went to the top of
a high ledge and stop,d on a smooth granite rock covering two acres, som
of the face of it was covered with a light soil out of which grew the pine, the
whortleberry & wintergreen. We sat down under the shade of a pine
for morning prayers, & O, what glorious contemplations vibrated our
souls. Elder Hale read the XVI. ch of Jeremiah that spake of the hunters
and fishers that God should chuse in the last days to gather Israel. And
of a truth here we were on an Island of the Sea standing upon a rock
Whare we could survey the gallant ships, and also the Island. which
was as full of rocks, holes, & caves perhaps as any part of the earth.
But what had brought us here? Ah to search out the Blood of Ephraim &
gather him from these Islands, rocks, holes, & caves. which were numerou
While the sun shed his beams to gladden earth, the spirit of God caused,
our souls to rejoice. I sat down in Company with Elder Hale, we read,
and sung, and prayed, and rejoiced. We spake of the ancient Prophets &
Apostles in Jerusalem and Asia, Also of Nephi, Alma, Mormon & Moroni
in America. We also spake of Joseph, Oliver, Sidney, & of the twelve

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& Seventies, esspecially, Kimble, Hide, Goodson & others in England. Of Page & Blakesley on Canida & many others we thought and spake of. While filled with these meditations, & the Promises of GOD, we fell upon our knees and thanked the God of heaven, & Prayed for all Israel, not forgetting the Church of Latter Day Saints, head nor foot. We plead with God for Joseph, & for all the Elders and members, esspecially our wives. Our souls rejoiced, & we went our way with glad hearts. Will not the rememberance of these things, remain forever, esspecially untill our heads are silverd o,er with age, Tell it unto your Childrens Children. We preached in No.2. at 7 oclock P.M. & spent the night at Mr John Smiths 5 m

Sept 6th I saw a great variety this day, I passed over & viewed a pleasing Rocky scenery both on the beach and upland. We dined with Mr Benjamin Combs, we visited his flakes of fish, which contained about one thousand quintals of Cod, that were spread for drying, these were principly cought at New foundland. From this place we walked to Carvers wharf, here we were for a moment diverted to see a School of Mackerel playing in the water by the side of the wharf while several men were cetching them with hooks. Elder Hale and myself flung out some hooks and had no difficulty in cetching a plenty of them, we caught what we wished for and went our way, leaving thousands of them in the water ready to bite the hook, People on these Islands are now in the midst of haying, & some few began to cut their wheat. Fruit is now ripe such as cherries, raspberies, Gooseberies, Currants &c. We preached at night in the School house No 4. and spent the night at Mr Benjn Fernalds distance of the day 5 miles

7th Preached in the School house No.8. to a large congregation. spent the night at Mr Israel Carvers 3 miles

8th walked to Mr Luther Calderwoods Elder Hale and myself went on to the beach and dug a peck of Clams & had them cooked for dinner which made us a frugal meal. We Preached in No 1. upon the book of Mormon Mr Douglass a methodist Priest was present. we spent the night with Carver 5 m

9th Mr Joseph Carver conveyed us across the thoroughfare to John Kents in a sail boat to North Island about four miles. walked to Br Eams. 5 m

10th Sunday We met a large congregation at Brother Justus Eames at 10 AM I Preached to this attentive people assembled together from the different Islands of the sea, from Math. 16 ch 17: 18. v. After meeting I opened a door for Baptism, when another Sea Captain offered himself as a candidate, by the name of Ebenezar Eames. he was brother to Capt Justus Eames that we Baptized the sabbath before. A young Lady also offered herself for Baptism. I lead them down into the water & Baptized them. I truly felt to rejoice to behold the mighty Captains of the sea enter the new & everlasting Covenant. The Spirit of God rested upon me, I addressed the people that stood upon the shore, many were cut to the heart. Spent the night at Capt Eames.

11th Spent the day visiting friends found many believing the gospel returned to Br J Eames. I accompanied several friends to the meeting house in the evening to hear Mr Douglass preach, a methodist Priest. He took his text in 1st Thess. 5: 21. He then commenced open war against the Book of Mormon & our principles, after doing all he could & but little at that, he took the Book of Mormon in his hand, and with an out stretched arm declared he feared none of the judgments of God that

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should come upon him for rejecting that Book as being the word of God &c. I took the minutes of his discours & when he closed I arose and informed the People I would hold a meeting at the meeting house on sunday and answer his objections, I however rectifyed some of his mistakes in his presence. Spent the night with Brother Eames. 7 m

Sept 12th We held a meeting at Mr. Sterretts & Baptized his whole household being three of them Elder Hale administered the ordinance on them. We spent the night with Brother Cyrus Sterrett. distance 3 miles

13 I walked in company with Elder Hale to the Post Office whare we both receieved a Letter from our wives. Phebe wrote to me. & Olive to Brother Hale. we truly rejoiced in our souls to hear from them. Spent the night at Br Eames.

14 I wrote a Letter to Phebe. & Elder Hale to Olive. At Brother Eames

15 I wrote a Letter to my Parents in Connecticut

16 I wrote a Letter to Aunt Anna Cosset & her household

17 Sunday I went to the Baptist meeting house. & there met a large congregation assembled from both Islands. I dwelt upon the subject that Mr Douglass handled against the Book of Mormon and our principals. I Preached 2½ houres and answered avery objection brought against us or the Book. After meeting Elder Hale Baptized a female. I met the people again & Preached the gospel unto them. Spent the night with Br Eames

18 We wrote a Letter to Brother Joseph Smith Jr and the church in Kirtland greeting

19 Mr C. J. Newton returned to the Island & brought several other Baptist Priest with him to hold a protracted meeting

20 Spent the day in visiting the friends, & Preached at night in the east school house. I Preached Christs Sermon on the mount. the Spirit of God rested upon me. I spent the night at Mr Abram Carvers. 6 miles

21 Spent the day visiting friends. Elder Hale went to the South Island I spent the night with Mr Ephraim Luce. Distance 5 miles

22 I Preached at the North School house, spent the night with S. Luce 2.

23 Preached at the North School house & I Baptized one. Spent the night at Brother Eames 6 miles

24 Sunday Preached at Brother J. Eames to a large Congregation

25 Left North Island & crossed the thoroughfare to the South island & called upon Mr Abigah Luce. I here met Elder Hale I Preached in the evening, & spent the night with Mr Luce. distance of the day 7 miles

26 I attend a marriage at Mr Jonathan Burgess. his daughter Martha Burgess joined in matrimony to Mr Joseph Sylvester. I preached in the School house No. 2. the spirit of God rested upon me. I spent the night at Mr John Smiths & I dreamed of seeing the great Dragon or beast with all of his heads and horns to the number of six hundred three score and six. He was above 20 rods in length with many riding upon his back without fear or alarm 9 miles

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Sept 27th I preached at No 4. Elder Hale Baptized one Mr Jonathan Burgess, we spent the night at Capt John Carvers' distance 6 miles
28th Walked to Mr Anthony Coombs. Elder Hale Baptized Mrs Elizabeth Coombs. I Preached at NO 3. to a large Congregation. the spirit of God rested upon me. There is much of the Spirit of enquirey manifest by the Blood of Ephraim in this Country. [illegible] After meeting two boat loads of us returned to Mr Benjn Coombs by water. and while the seamen dip,d their ready oar. we sung the gallant ships &c. we spent the night with Mr Coombs distance of the day 7 miles
29th we walked from Mr Coombs to our former place of retirement on the Granite rock (See Sept 5th) and spent a season of interest in prayer and praise to God [illegible] we went our way rejoiceing to Mr Joseph Carvers. he conveyed us across in a sail boat to the North Island. we spent the night with Brother Sterrett. 10 miles
30th I retired aside from the abodes of men in company with Elder Hale and we clensed our feet in the pure water of the Sea as a testimony against Gideon J Newton for rejecting our testimony of the Lord & of the Book of Mormon. We also bore testimony unto God against Mr Douglass the Methodist priest for rejecting the Book of Mormon & our testimony & declaring that he feared none of the Judgments of God for rejecting these thing The Lord reboke him. 5 miles
Oct 1st Sunday preached at Br Justus Eames. Elder Hale Baptized one. we organized a small Branch of the Church to the number of twelve and partook of the sacrament with them. This was the first time we ever administered the Eucharist to the saints upon the Islands of the sea. we were blessed with a good time. We took the parting hand with the saints as we were about to return to our family & friends we spent the night with Brother Justus Eames
2nd We took the parting hand with Brother Eames & family, & made preperations to return to our friends in Scarborough. Capt Volontine Eames vary generously offered to convey us to Thomaston in his Sloop we accepted the invitation. the wind being against us we did not reach shore untill the setting of the sun. We took the parting hand with Capt Eames, he promised to obey the gospel when I returned we spent the night in Thomaston Distance of the day 36 miles
3rd we walked from west Thomaston to Warren 8 miles to Waldoboro 8. to Nobleboro 9. to Wiscasset 9. to Bath 12. crossed at the Steam ferry into Bath & spent the night at the house of William S. Crookers. 46 m
4th I spent the day in Bath and attended the Baptist Convention. I Preached at early candle light to a large Congregation of the citizens of Bath in Pierces Hall. The people gave good attention and wished to hear further upon the subject
5th we walked to Brunswick 10 miles & viewed the Colledges, from thence to Freeport 9. to North Yarmouth 6. & to Portland 11 miles
Me we did not eat or drink during this walk of 36 miles we spent
asa the night in the city of Portland at Mr Samuel Hales 36 miles
& b 6th I dined with Ezra Carter Jr [illegible] then walked to Scarborough out whar I was again privileged of greeting my wife & friends. Elder Hale receieved a letter from Kirtland containing important intelligence. 10 mile

October 7th 1837 23 miles

Oct 7th Spent the day visiting the Saco branch of Church. the night at fathers
8 Sunday rode in Company with Elder Hale from Scarborough to South Berwick we Preached at candlelight at Mr Moses Coopers. we found sister Sophia Cooper strong in the faith of the saints distance 33 miles

9 The time had now come for me to take the parting hand with Elder Jonathan H. Hale we had travled together during the season about 2000 miles. I accompanied him one mile on his Journey we retired to a grove and knelt down and prayed together and we had a good time and after Commending each other to God we took the parting hand [illegible] he bent his way for Kirtland while I return to the Islands of the Sea. I preached at Mr Coopers in the evening. I spent the night with him

10 I rode from Mr Coopers in South Berwick to Father Carters in Scarborough and spent the night at his house [illegible] distance 33 miles

11 Spent the ~~day~~ at Father Carters writing my journal note this DATE [illegible]

12 13 & 14th I spent in writing in my Journal. I receieved two Letters one from my Parents in farmington the other from Brother Asahel H Woodruff

15 Sunday I Preached at the house of Sister Sarah B Foss from Job XIX Ch which included the comeing of Christ [illegible] I receieved an interesting and affectionate Letter from Brother Asahel H Woodruff, bearing date of Terre Haute, Sept 21st 1837. [illegible]

16 Spent the day in visiting Mr George Boothby [illegible]

17 Spent the day at Father Carters in writing upon the death of Calvin Foss a member of the Church of Latter day Saints who Died Feb 28. 1835 Aged 37.

18 Spent the day in writing

19 I Preached at Father Carters at early candlelight

20th I wrote a Lengthy Letter to Brother Asahel H Woodruff

21 I recei ved a letter from Kirtland from sisters Aphia & Sarah also a paper from Brother Asahel. I rode to Mr Joshua Milton & spent the night at his house [illegible] distance 10 miles

22 Sunday visited Brother Townsend spent the night at Mr Lowels 6 miles

23rd visited Brother Milikens returned to father Carters spent the night 10

24 I spent the day at the house of Sister Foss

25 I wrote a letter to Brother Ozem Woodruff in Avon & Preached at candlelight at the Dyer Schoolhouse [illegible]

26 Spent the day at father Carters; Also the 27th

28th I took the parting hand with my friends & rode in company with Mrs Woodruff to Portland, we dined with Mr Ezra Carter Jr we spent several hours visiting the City. we had a fair view of Portland from the Observatory, we walked around the Fort & through the burying ground & in the Courthouse. We visited Mr Samuel Hale and spent the night with Ezra Carter Jr Esq distance of the day 14 miles

Purchased Journal Portland

29 Sunday we rode to the wharf & went on board the Steamer Bangor at 6. AM there being a high Sea She did not go out. I attended meeting in the evening at the Prysbeterian Church and herd a lecture delivered by the Rev, John W. Chickering, I returned to Mr Carters, was made acquainted with Col Arnold Carroll and Judge Upham spent the night at Ezra Carters Esq 6 miles

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Oct 30th I visited the Bangor & found a high sea & saw a vessel wrecked
31. Spent the day at Mr Ezra Carters we had a visit from our Sisters viz. Shuah & Rhoda We spent the night on board the Bangor
NOV 1st We left the wharf at Portland, at 7 oclock A.M. on board the Bangor. Howse Captain. The wind that had been blowing for several days caused a high sea, & it still continued. We had not gone far before we came in sight of the waves & breakers mast high. We had a snow storm during the day, most all of us on board were sick: after being tosted upon the sea for eight hours, I landed In company with Mrs Woodruff at Owls Head, at 3 oclock P.M. our fare $6. I enquired among the shiping for a passage to Vinal haven (the Islands) I could find none. I called upon several to get conveyance to Thomastin but without affect. & after spending several hours in the snow storm & suspens about getting farther: I returned to Mr Paines tavern whare I had left Mrs Woodruff. I retired to the grove, & knelt down to call upon God in the same place whare Elder Hale & myself made prayer & supplication unto God, for deliverance, on the 19th Aug. The Lord herd our prayers then & I believed He would again: & I called upon him to open our way. I then returned to the Inn, retired to rest with a determination to trust in God. distance of the day 4 miles
2nd We arose in the morning, refreshed by sleep & rest. Mr Paine, conveyed us in his chaise to east Thomaston. We soon got passage on board of Capt Wright's Sloop, for the Islands, We left the shore ½ [illegible] ½ at noon, reached the Island in two hours. & I truly felt to rejoice and thank God for the privilege of setting my feet again upon North fox Islands in Vinalhaven & to add to my happiness was accompanied by my companion. We walked to Mr Hezekiah Eames & dined with him, from thence to Br Justus Eames; & of a truth we met a welcome reception. & found all of the Saints rejoicing in God, & strong in the faith. We spent the night at Br Eames 20
3rd Spent the day at Br Eames in writing. Had an interview with Mr Sprague
4th Spent the day at Br Eames.
5th Sunday, I preached in the meeting house, & had an interesting Prayer meeting, in the evening, at Br Justus Eames.
6. I visited Br Sterretts household, found them strong in in the faith. I Preached in the evening at the West School house spent the night at Br Eames distans 6 miles
7 I held an interesting Prayer meeting at Br Justus Ames
8th I Preached at the house of Mr Malatire Luce & Baptized one Person & spent the night at Mr Ephraim Luce 3 miles
9th Preached in the East School house to a large congregation spent the night at Mr Ephraim Luce 3 miles

Nov 10th 1837

Nov 10th I took the parting hand with Mrs. Woodruff & other friends walked to Br Ames from thence in company with Valentine Ames to John Kents we crossed the thoroughfare to the South Island to Mr Isaac Crocketts I Preached at his house Mr Crockett in some respects is a wonderful man. [illegible] in dreams and vision &c distance of the day 7 miles

11th Walked from Mr Crocketts to No 2. visited the Saints found them strong in the faith Preached at night at No 2. spent the night at Mr Charles Brown distance of the day 12 miles

12th Sunday Preached at No 2. two Sermons & spent the night at Brother Burgess distance 4 miles

13th Preached at Mr Anthony Coombs and Baptized two Persons spent the night at Mr Coombs 3 miles

14th Visited many friends walked to No 2. through an uncommon snow storm & preached to the People spent the night at Capt Benjamin Coombs 6 miles

15 I went on board the Susan Eliza with Capt Coombs for the purpose of visiting the Isle of Holt their was much snow on board the vessel we had a fair wind & rough sea & pleasent over head. I arived at the Isle of Holt at 12 oclock and dined with Mr William Barters. I Preached at early candle light in the School house, spent the night with John Turner Esq & I sold him the Book of Mormon this is the third Island of the Sea that I have visited & Preached to the People & left them the Book of Mormon 12 mile

16th I went on board the vessel and fell upon my knees & prayed for God to have mercy upon the People & cause the Book of Mormon to prove a Blessing to the Island. We left Esq Turner's wharf on board the vessel at 12 oclock at noon. we were becalmed on the way. and if St. Paul rowed hard to make the land in a tempest so did we row hard to make the land in a calm, we were eight hours in travling 12 miles and after rowing three hours we reached Capt Coombs at 4 oclock P.M. distance 12 miles

17th Spent the day in visiting friends Preached at Mr Charles Brown to a large attentive Congregation from Jer 31st ch 22.v. the spirit of God rested upon me [illegible] 4 miles

18th walked in company with several frends to Mr Anthony Coombs at Seal Bay, we took a sail boat & crossed to the north Island to Br Ames from thence to Esq Luce whare I found Mrs Woodruff we returned to Br Ames distance 12 m

19th Sunday I Preached at Br Justus Ames & Baptized two Persons vic [illegible] Valentine Ames & Mary Ames I confirmed three and communed with the Saints. [illegible] I spent the night at Brother J Ames

Nov. 20th 1837

NOV. 20th I Wrote a letter to Elder Don C. Smith at Kirtland I forwarded him 19. Subscribers for the Elders Journal of the Church of Latter Day Saints. I gave an account of 17 members of the Church on fox Islands I also forwarded $10. dollars of Subscription money for the Elders Journal from the following persons. Justus Ames $1. Stephen Luce Esqr $1. Cyrus Starrett $1. Nathaniel Thomas $1. Jonathan Burgess $1. Ezekiel Burgess $1. Joshua Calderwood $1. Charles Brown $1. John Smith $1. Ebenezar Ames $1. Also Isaac Crockett. Anthony Coombs Jr. John Sellers. not paid

I also wrote a letter to Sister Sarah Foss & forwarded $6. dollars to her Spent the night at Brother Ames

21st Spent the day at Br Ames in writing walked 4 miles

22. Spent the day in writing

23 Walked to Malatire Luce, returned to Br Ames. I received a letter from Elder Benjamin Boydston, from Zion, and four Papers from Kirtland. I was called to visit the Rainbow a vessel that dragged her anchors, and was driven on shore among the rock in a heavy gale: she lay upon her beams end, I went on board of her in the midst of a hard gale & high sea, sprays broke clear over her; she was in a bad condition: but the exertion of the neighbours soon delivered her from danger. 7 m

24th Spent the day at Brother Ames. Also the 25th

26th Sunday walked to Br Sterretts held a meeting with the Saints & returned to Br Ames spent the night 5 m

27th A cold winter morning I went on board the Essex in Company with Mrs Woodruff, Sister Eliza Luce & Capt Ames & his Son Valentine, bound for Camden, We left the north harbour at 9 oclock AM We had a rough High sea waves broke over the vessel & water runninto the cabin Phebe & Eliza was quite sea sick we reached Camden Harbour at noon. We dined with Mr Henry Shermon's walked to Mr Paul Perry's & visited the Simonton district & returned to P Perry's & spent the night distance 20

28th Walked to Brother Ames & Williams Hopkins & in Company with Phebe & Eliza walked to the Simonton district I Preached at night in the School house to a large attentive Congregation We spent the night with Mr Peas & 5 m

29th Preached in the Schoolhouse at night upon the Book of Mormon Spent the night at Mr Peas

Nov 30th 1837

Nov 30th Thanksgiving day I Preached in the Schoolhse & spent the night with Mr William Simonton in company with Mr Earrow a universalest preacher

Dec 1st walked to Mr Ames & Hopkins preached in their house at night distance 3 miles

2nd Preached at Br Ames at night & walked through the mud to Mr whitleys 3 miles

3rd Sunday Preached in the Schoolhouse two discourses and baptized three persons & spent the night at Mr Pes

4th Walked to Camden Harbour & preached at night in the Masonic Hall to a large Congregation of Citizens [illegible] I spent the night with C Tilor [illegible] 3 mil

5th I had an interesting interview with Mr Simeon Tylor aged 83 he was a patriot of the revolution he was in the battle at Bunker hill & the taking of General Gates & in other battles but was never wounded, Preached in the Schoolhouse in Camden spent the night with Mr Shermon distance of the day 2 miles

6 walked to Camden took my leave of Mrs Woodruff and sister Luce who took the Mail boat for the Island I walked to Brother Ames & spent the night [illegible] 3 miles

7th I walked a distance with Br Ames we had a view of the Sea and a fleet of sail becalmed, the Sun as pleasent as May, & the water as still as if nature had seeased to breathe. we viewed, admired, and rejoiced and parted. I walked to the Simonton district found the people in an uproar some raging & some believeing I spent the night at Mr John Brown 3 miles

8th I visited Mr Peas [illegible] I Preached at night in the Ingham School house to a large Congregation I spent the night at Mr Daniel Ames [illegible] 6 miles

9th Spent the night with Mr Robert Harsen 3 miles

10th Preached on Sunday in the Simonton Schoolhse to a large Congregation I confirmed three persons the Spirit of God rested upon me I took the parting hand with my friends & walked to Brother Ames 3 miles

December 11th 1837

Dec 11th Wrote a Letter to Elder DON C. SMITH & sent him five Subscribers for the Journal and $5. dollars for the same for the following Persons. Elisha Grant $1. David Stone $1. Coburn Tyler $1. John Brown $1. Robert Marsen $1. I also gave an account of three 3 Baptized ~~making the church 77 in all~~ since Nov 20th. I Preached at night in the Mansfield district School house the Spirit of God rested upon me I spent the night with Mr Corner I coversed with him & his wife untill 3 o clock in the morning Mrs Corner was a wonderful Spiritual dreamer She rehearsed many interesting dreams to me 3 miles

12th Mr Corner & his wife bid us God speed I walked to Br Ames from thence to Camden Harbour & Preached at night in the School house spent the night at Mr Tylers C.

13th Crossed the Harbour in the Mail boat to North fox Island I receieved four letters & two papers one letter from Elder A O Smoot under date of farwest Mo Sept 28th 1837. One from Elder Jonathan H Hale from Kirtland Nov 14th. One from Elder Nathaniel Holmes or wife New Rowley Nov 19th. And the other from Brother Asahel Woodruff Terre Haute Nov 24th 1837 I walked to Brother Ames & found friends well I here saw the first No of the Elders Journal of the Church of Latter Day Saints which warmed my soul this with my letters made it a day of interest to me I spent the night with Mrs Woodruff at Brother Ames 4 15m

14 Spent the day in writing at Brother Ames & held a prayer meeting at night at his house

15th I Preached in the east School house at candlelight & returned to Br Ames distance 7 miles

16th Spent the day at Br Ames

17 Sunday Preached two discourses at Brother Ames I spent the night at Br Ames & had an interesting time in the evening I blessed two children & I spake in tongues & interpeted & Prophesyed & we rejoiced

18th Spent the day at Br Ames

Dec 19th 1837

Dec 19th I left Mrs Woodruff at Br Ames and walked in company with Valentine Ames to John Kents we then crossed the theroughfare in a wherry to the South Island I then took the parting hand with Br Valentine who returned home while in the names of Eligah's God I bend my way to search out the Blood of Ephraim on South Island, O my God assist me I pray in this work. I walked to Mr Isaac Crocket's & held a meeting at his house & spent the night with Mr Merchant distance 7 miles

20th Spent the morning in clearing away Ice in the long Cove to prepare a place for Baptizing when the tide arose I accordingly met at 3 PM & Baptized one person and Preached at Mr Isaac Crocket's & spent the night

21st walked to Mr John Smith's and Preached in the Schoolhouse at night & spent the night with J Smith Com

22nd visited the school in No.2 taught by Mr Daniel Luce I gave an address to the School & closed by Prayer I then walked to Mr Charles Browns preached at his house & spent the night with him distance 4 mil

23 I Preached at Mr John M Sellers the power of God rested upon me I spoke in tongues & Interpeted & some cryed aloud & one wished to be baptized [illegible] 2m

24th Sunday Preached two sermons in Schoolhouse No 2. to a large congregation then walked to Thomas Arey's 2d Preached to the People and Baptized two Persons wit Capt Thomas Arey 2d & John M Sellers before a multitude spent the night ~~before the Br~~ with Br Arey 2d distance 5 miles

25 Christmas walked in company with Br Arey to No 4th district preached in the deephollow Schoolhous to a large congregation from Acts 13th 40,41. I spent the night at Mr James Fernal My soul was vex'd with the wicked procedings of Mr Towl a school teach in rejecting my testimony &c distance 5 mile

26th walked to Mr Isaac Crockett's Preached at his house & spent the night at Mr Merchant's distance 4 mile

27. Baptized two persons in the long Cove at full tide amid the Ice. walked to Abigah Luce Preached at his house on the Book of Mormon the spirit of God rested upon me distance 3 miles

Dec 28th 1837

Dec 28th I spent the forepart of the day in Conversation with Mr William Douglass the Methodist Priest he wanted me to work miracles to make him believe I reproved him for taking such a course and left him & walked to N I. on the neck & Preached in the School house & spent the night at Mr James Babbadge in Company with Messrs Robert Thompson Esq. & James Thompson, from Islesborough long Island they Invited me to visit them. On the same day Mrs Woodruff crossed the Thoroughfare in a boat to the South Island & walked the whole length of the Island to Br Burgess distance 8 or 10 miles the greatest Journey she ever took on foot she was much fatigued. 4 m

29th I walked from Mr Babbadge to the top of the rock our former place of retirement for Prayer, it was a plesent morning the Sun shone upon the waters with the briliancy of a summers day my meditations were sweet although alone after surveying the Islands & Sea a few moments I plucked a handful of fir from a tree and lade it under the pine (whare I had often Prayed in Company with Elder J H Hale see Sept 5th) I kneel down upon the fir (to keep off from the snow) and offered up the gratitude of my heart unto God I went my way rejoicing to Mr Charles Brown whare I found a number of Saints of one accord in one place and PHEBE with the rest. I was rejoiced to meet with them. I Preached to a large congregation from Ruth 1st ch 15 16th we had an interesting time several offered themselves for Babtism I spent the night at B Browns distance of the day 8 miles

30th I held a Prayer meeting at Br Thomas Arey's 2d we had a spiritual time I spent the night at Mr C Browns 2 m

31st On the 31st of Dec on Sunday being the last day of 1837 I Preached in NO 3rd district to a large congregation upon the Parable of the vineyard. I Baptized two person in the sea at full tide before a multitude. I obtained five Subscribers for the Elders Journal. The spirit of God is like leaven in the midst of these Islands of the Sea. the Solemnities of Eternity is resting upon the People, the word of God is like a sharp two edged sword in the hearts of men I am now preaching & Baptizing almost daily. O may the Lord roll on his work amid the Islands of the sea and give me a rich harvest of Souls. I spent the night with Mr Charles Brown distance of the day 4 miles

THUS ends the year of 1837 and the 1st VOL of my Journal. I now find myself upon one of the Islands of the Sea in defence of the word of GOD and for the testimony of JESUS CHRIST, in company with (PHEBE) my companion whom God hath given me for a bosom friend & a helpmeet. I marvel & can exclaim like one one of old, "great and marvelous are thy works "O LORD GOD ALMIGHTY." when I consider his ways with the children of men, esspecially when I consider his dealings with myself. The past year hath been the most interesting part of my life in many respects. The account of my proceedings during the year 1837 may be found on the following page, and a continuation of my travels in the ministry will be recorded in my Journal in the 2nd VOL

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Jan 3rd 1838 I wrote a Letter to Elder Don C. Smith and sent him five subscribers for the Elders Journal viz Abram Carver. Thomas Arey 1st Thomas Arey 2d Ebenezer Arey. Jabez Eyrick. I sent in the letter $15. $5 was for the above subscribers $1. for John E Sellers & the other $9. was for a Bill due William Marks in the hands of A. O. Cowder

IN 1837

I attended the solemn assembly and met twenty times with the quorum of the seventies

I traveled in Upper Canida and in six of the United States and visited three Islands of the Sea making a distance in all of two thousand three hundred & fifty Miles 2,350 miles

I held one hundred and eight meetings 108

~~I Planted three Churches~~

I Baptized twenty one persons three were Sea Captains and three were kins folks I was a partner with Elder J H Hale in baptizing nine others 21

~~I Confirmed 30~~

I attended two Conferences and jointly ordained nine Elders nine Priest eleven Teachers and five Deacons 34

I Procured twenty three subscribers for the Elders Journal 23

I Sold eight Books of Mormon 8

There was five cases of healing under my hands 5

I blessed two children 2

I wrote thirty Letters 30

I received thirteen Letters 13

I recorded two of Joseph Smith sermons

A synopsis of this volume

IN 1834 I travled 1234 miles

IN 1835 I travled 3248 Miles. Baptized 43 persons. Held 110 meetings. procured 20 subscribers for the Latter Day Saints Messenger & Advocate. & 2 for the reprinted st also 70 signers to the petition to the Governour of Missouri for redress of wrongs done the church by the Jackson County mob Wrote 14 letters Ordained 2 Teachers and 1 Deacon held 3 debates and had 3 mobs rise against me planted 3 ch confir 35

IN 1836. I traveled 6557 miles. held 153 meeting attended 4 conferences held 4 debates and Baptized 27 persons Ordained 2 Elders 3 Priest 1 Teacher and 2 Deacons. Blest 19 children. 4 persons were healed under my hands in the name of JESUS CHRIST. I Procured 22 subscribers for the M & Ad & $70 for the same. also procured $91 for building the house of the LORD in Kirtland. Wrote 34 letters & received 7 letters. I had 3 mobs rise against me. planted 1 ch confir 27

IN 1837. I attended the solemn assembly. I met 20 times with the quorum of the seventies. I traveled in upper Canida & in six of the united States also visited three Islands of the sea making a distance in all of 2350 I held 108 meetings. I Baptized 21 persons three wer sea Captains & three were kinsfolk. I was a Partner in Baptizing 9 others. I attended 2 conferences & jointly Ordained 9 Elders 9 Priest 11 Teachers & 5 Deacons I Procured 23 subscribers for the Elders Journal and sold 8 Books of Mormon. there was 5 cases of healing under my hand. I blessed 2 children. I wrote 30 letters & received 13 letters. I recorded 2 of Joseph's sermons

THE SUM TOTAL

I traveled 13395 miles held 431 meetings and Baptized 91 persons. I met 20 times with the Seventies I attended 1 solemn assembly and 6 conferences I visited the Canidas and 15 of the united States & 3 Islands of the sea I Ordained 11 Elders 12 Priest 14 Teachers & 8 Deacons. I blessed 21 children, there was 9 cases of healings under my hands. I procured 67 subscribers for the Latter Day Saints Papers & 70 signers to the petition to the Governour of Missouri. I Procured $91 for the house of the Lord. I held 7 debates I. wrote 82 letters I received 20 letters I had 6 mobs rise against but from them all the LORD delivered me Confirmed 99. Planted 7 ch established 20 preaching places recorded 2 of J.S. sermons

APHEK WOODRUFF'S FAMILY RECORD

Medad NAMES Elijah Logan gaye		BORN	MARRIED	DIED	
First Gen. ~~[illegible]~~ WOODRUFF lived nearly 100 years					
2d Gen. ELDAD WOODRUFF		1751		1806 = 55 y	
APHEK WOODRUFF 3d Gen	BORN	NOV 11.1778	Aged 26 M	May 29 1861 82 y 6 M	
BULAH THOMPSON	BORN	1782	NOV 29 (1801)	JUNE 11 1809	26
WAS MARRIED			NOV 29.1801	Aged 26	
AZMON 4th Gen	BORN	NOV 29.1802	86x 1 May 30	Jan 14 1899	
OZEM THOMPSON	BORN	Dec 22.1804			
WILLFORD	BORN	March 1.1807	April 13.1831		
AZUBAH HART	BORN	July 31.1792.		59 years	
Married to APHEK WOODRUFF			Nov 9. 1810	March 20 1851	
PHILO	BORN	Nov 29 1811.		Nov 25 1827	16
ASAHEL HART	BORN	April 11. 1814.		Oct 18. 1838	24
FRANKLIN	BORN	March 12 1816		June 1st 1816	
NEWTON	BORN	June 19 1818	Drowned	Sept 1820	2
JULIUS	BORN	April 22 1820	Died	–	
EUNICE	BORN	June 19.1821	Aug 5 1841	June 14 1853 Aged 32 years	
5th Gen SARAH E. WOODRUFF		July 14. 1844		July 17 1846	2

EZRA CARTER'S FAMILY RECORD

NAMES	BORN	MARRIED	DIED	AGE
1st DANIEL CARTER Born in Newburyport. Mass. the second gen from England				
EZRA CARTER 2d Gen	Feb 20th 1734		April 24. 1818	84
PHEBE WHITEMORE	April 1736		June 1820	84
JOSHUA FABYAN ESQ	MARCH A.D. 1742		June 20. 1799.	57
SARAH FABYAN	April 9th A.D. 1740		Aug 29 A.D. 1820	80
EZRA CARTER 3d Gen	March 14th A.D. 1773	Oct Oct 2. 1.97	March 10. 1864	95
SARAH FABYAN	April 4th A.D. 1775.	Oct 2. 1797	July 21st 1845	70
JOSEPH FABYAN 4th 5th Gen	Dec 11. A.D. 1794	Jan 19 1827		
SARAH BRACKET	Sept 30 A.D. 1800	Nov 1 182[illegible]		
IRA	Sept 19. 1802		Jan 21. 1804	1. 3 m
EZRA	April 29 1804	Nov 4. 1834		
IRA	Nov 23 1805		Jan 2. 1806	1 m 9 D.
PHEBE WHITEMORE	March 4 1807	April 13. 1834		
RHODA FARNUM	March 13 1809	Nov 12 1839		
IRA	Oct 20 1810		Jan 24 1811	3 m 4 D.
SHUAH COFFIN	Dec 20 1811			
MARY FABYAN	March 22. 1814			
ILUS FABYAN	Nov 8. 1816			
Bulah Agusta woodroff Married to Sidney H. Beatie	July 19 1851	June 30. 1866		
Phebe Eleanor	Oct 8. 1869 Goalah			

Lorenzo Snow Married Phebe Amelia Woodruff
Daughter of Wilford + Phebe W Woodruff | 1859
Lorenzo Snow Born April 3. 1814. Married April 4.

Names	Births	Marriages	Deaths	Age
Mary Amanda	~~Born 1st~~ Sept 4 1860		Sept 5 1860	1 day
Wilford Leslie Woodruff	Feb 7th 1862 11 oclock P.M			
Orion	Sept 6 1865.			
Milton	Feb 9. 1868 40 m past 2 oclock P.M			
Phebe Augusta Florence	Aug 7. 1870			

Wilford	Married	Emily Jane	Smith	Oct 12 1867.
Lucy Emily	Born	Jan 10	1869	
Wilford	Sept 25 1871 7 oclock P.M			
Elias Smith	Dec 15 1873 20 minutes Before 10 oclock P.M			
Asahel	March 30 1876 6 oclock A.M			

WILLFORD. WOODRUFF'S FAMILY RECORD

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NAMES	BORN	MARRIED	DIED	AGE
WILLFORD. WOODRUFF 4th Gen	March 1. 1807	April 13 1837	~~[illegible]~~	74 6 M
PHEBE W. CARTER	March 8 1807	April 13 1837	Nov. 10 1885	
SARAH EMMA. 5 Gen	July 14th 1834		July 17 1840	2 5 3 D
WILLFORD ~~[illegible]~~ Jr	March 22d 1840			
PHEBE AMELIA	March 4th 1842	April 4th 1859		
SUSAN CORNELIA	July 25th 1843	Jan 30 1859		
JOSEPH	July 18th 1845		Nov 12 1846	17 M
EZRA	Dec 8th 1846		Dec 10th 1846	2 Days
SHUAH Carter	Oct 28 1847 –		July 22 1849	1 9 M
BULAH AUGUSTA	July 19. 1851			
APHEK – –	Jan 26. 1853	. . .	Jan 25. 1853.	3 Hours
Ozem Woodruff	Nov 3 1789	1818		
Hannah Hart	March 26 1799			
Samual Woodroff	1777		Dec 1869	92

Phebe Amalia Married April 4. 1859
Eldad Woodroff B. 1816 D. Nov 1881 x 65

Sarah Brown was Born Jefferson Co
in Handarson — New York
Jan 1st 1834

Sarah Brown Daughter of Henry S. Brown

Married to Wilford Woodruff Sen March 13 1853

NAMES	Born	Married	Died	Age
David Patten	April 3 1854			
Brigham Young	Jan 18 1857	Aged 20x		Married June 16 1877
Phebe Arobella	May 30 1859	June 14 1874		
Sylva Malvina Born at 3 oclock	Jan 14 1862			
Newton	Nov 30 1863			
Mary	Oct 26 1864 M 18 1867			
Charles Henry	Dec 5 1 oclock P.M. 1870		Feb 27 1871 2 oclock A.M.	Near 2 Months
Edward Randolph	Feb 2d 8 6 oclk P.M. 1873		Feby 8 11 oclck 1873	6 days

Emma Smith was Born at Diahman Davis County Missouri March 1st 1838

Emma Smith daughter of Samuel & Marcela Smith Married to Wilford Woodruff sen March 13 1853

NAMES	Born	Married	Died	Age
Hiram Smith at 4 oclok PM	Oct 4 1857		Nov 24 1858	1 year 1 M 20 days
Emma Manella	July 4 1860			
Asahel Hart 15 minutes to 7 oclok AM	Feb 3 1863			
Anna Thompson	April 10 1867 30 M to 6 PM		April 11 1867	7 Hours 15 Minuts
~~Clara~~ ~~E~~ Clara Martisha	July 23 1868 15 M pst 4 ocl A			
Abram Owen	Nov 23 30 M to 11 PM 1872			
~~Mary Alice~~ ~~Mary Alice~~ Winford Blanch	April 9 1876 10 m to 12 oclk [illegible]			
Mary Alice	Jan 28 1879 at 5.30 PM			

Robert Scholar Born Nov 19. 1835 Married To
Susan Cornelia Woodroff Doghter of
Wilford + Phebe W Woodroff Jan 30. 1859

Names	Births	Marriages	Deaths	Age
Eugenie Amalia	20 minuts to 3 oclock Mar 21st 1860	Nov 3. 1883		
Phebe Carter	Oct 6 1862			
Robert	Dec 1st 1864			
Wilford Woodroff	Sept 26 1867 30 m past 4 oclock			
George	Nov. 14 1869			
	March 23 1876 12 oclock Noon			

Belah Augusta Born Married. S. H. Beattie Died June 30 1868

Phebe Eleanor Born Oct 4. 1869

Preston Carter Born Dec 7. 1871 at 30 minuts past 4 oclk AM
Died Jan 26. 1872 6 oclock AM Age 1 Month 19 day

Wilford	22. Dec 1872			
Florence Estella	March 20. 1874 20 m past 11. oclock			

Sarah Delight Stockings Daughtar of John & Stockings was married to Wilford Woodroff Sen July 31. 1857
She was born in Canton Hartford Co Connecticut July 24 1838

Names	Births	Marriages	Deaths	Age
Marion	June 1st 1861			
Emeline	July 24 30 m past 9 P.M 1863			
Ensign	15 minits to 3 oclok Dec 23 1865			
Jeremiah	29 Aug 1868		Dec 16 1869	1 year 3 Months 17 days
Rosana	4 oclok P.M April 7. 1871		Oct 22d 1872 5 A.M	1 year 6 Months 5 days
John L	3 oclk Aug 14. 1873			
Julia	7 oclok A.M June 24 1878			

Rebeca Brown born in Vinal Haven Maine
Oct 30. 1826 June 15. 1867 Sealed to W W Died Aug 1839
Aged 13 Year

Mary ~~Webster~~ Giles Born in Boston Mass ~~About 1800~~
Sealed to W W March 24 1852
Died Oct 3d 1852.
Aged about 52 years

On the 26. Febuary 1857 The following Persons were sealed to W Woodruff at the Alter in the Endowment House By Brigham Young Phebe Whitmore Carter
Mary Fabyan Carter Deceased
Emma Smith
& Sarah Brown.

Sarah Delight Stocking was sealed to W Woodruff at the Alter in the Endowment House July 31. 1857 By President Young

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Mary Giles Webster. Daughter of Samuel & Elizabeth Giles born in Marblehead Essex County Mass.
Sept 6. 1803.
Died Oct 3d 1852
Aged 49 years
(Sealed to W Woodruff March 24. 1852
Also at the Alter Endow House. June 15 1867

Eunice Woodruff sealed to W W June 13 1860

Wilford Woodroff Jr Born March 22 1840
Married Emily Smith Born Died
March 1878

Their Children

Lucy Emily Born Jan 10 1869

Wilford 3d Born Sept 25. 1871

Elias S Born Dec 15 1873

Asahel Born March 30 1876

Emily Died

Married Julia Spencer
May 1879
15
George Born March 1 1880
Died Sept 22. 1881

Born March 15 1882
at 5 Minute oclock